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## PICTURE THIS

## Charles Miller

Name: Charles Miller

Occupation: Let's say filmmaker. It'll be paying the bills eventually!!!

**Best day of your life:** The one that stands out recently was the final day of shooting my short film Andrew. The whole gang went out for some amazing pizza afterwards. I finished the night with a quiet drink alone at home, tired but overwhelmed with happiness and appreciation for the entire cast and crew's hard work.

**Best vacation:** Tie between the high school exchange program to Paris, France and going to Disney World for the first time. One, you had dinner at the Eiffel Tower, on the other, Pirates, Lions, and Space Mountain.

**Favorite season:** I do really love snow but probably spring because the harsh winds of winter are behind you but it isn't too hot yet.

**Favorite holiday:** I love me some Christmas. Holiday cheer and the Christmas spirit are real things. And who doesn't love a crackling fire?

Favorite snack or junk

**food:** As a kid Funyuns controlled my life and fueled every late night gaming session. As an adult I have matured and it's Cheetos.

**Best book:** Recently "Ready Player One" completely consumed me. All time? I've probably read "Harry Potter" and the Order of the Phoenix or "Ender's Game" more than anything else.

**Best movie or actor:** Definitely goes to Harrison Ford. Too close to call between "Raiders of the Lost Ark" and "Empire Strikes Back"

**Best TV show:** "Game of Thrones" controls my life.

**Best music, group or artist:** "Queen" and "Pink Floyd" are the only two bands I will ever need.

**Pet peeve:** People who are nice to your face and trash you behind your back. If you hate me just let me know it's totally fine!

**Most embarrassing moment:** Working in the projector/media booth of a college classroom/theater, falling asleep on the job, and the teacher having to have a student knock on the glass to wake me up so I could play their videos.



Charles Miller (CHS class of 2007) wrote and produced the short sci-fi comedy film "Andrew," which appeared in the Boston International Film Festival last weekend. (WICKED LOCAL STAFF PHOTO / AMANDA C. THOMPSON)

**Person you would most like to meet:** Writer/Director Joss Whedon (of Buffy and Firefly fame). I just know that we would become best friends then collaborate on a bunch of amazing projects.

**Goal:** An office on a big film studio lot where people come to me to help them fix their scripts and studios give me hundreds of millions of

dollars to go make movies.

**Biggest worry:** That I won't be able to see the first person walk on Mars.

**Best part of Cohasset:** French Memories. Anne and Jean-Jacques are amazing, and I got to work there for a million years, and the chocolate croissants are insanely good.

## SENIOR SCENE

## Broad Cove Chorale Concert is May 3

All events take place at Willcutt Commons, 91 Sohier Street, unless noted. Call for Reservations: 781-383-9112.

**Weekly Lunches:** Lunches are served at noon Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. Reservations are required no less than 24 hours in advance. Delicious Meals provided by local restaurants and Cohasset cooks. Cost: \$3.

n Tuesday, April 25, Chef Susan, Turkey Chili  
n Wednesday, April 26, Out to lunch at Harborview. NO LUNCH AT CENTER  
n Thursday, April 27, Volunteer Recognition Breakfast, NO LUNCH AT CENTER

**POETRY WORKSHOP WITH STEPHEN COLLINS, TUESDAYS, APRIL 25 - MAY 30** 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. This interactive seminar will focus on the works of Robert Frost, a poet who doesn't fit easily into any preconceived category. This workshop will include the study of some of his better known poems and others that receive less attention. Registration required. \$60 advance payment for the 6-week session, or \$13 per drop in class.

**YOGA & ACUPUNCTURE - AN IMMUNE BOOSTING COMBINATION, WEDNESDAY - APRIL 26, 9 to 10:15 a.m.** Learn about the therapeutic effects of yoga and

acupuncture. Instructors Amy Di Lillo, registered yoga therapist and Carolyn Moody, Doctor of Acupuncture and Oriental medicine will discuss the immune-boosting qualities and benefits of yoga and acupuncture combined. Evidence-based research shows acupuncture can be a clinically effective approach for many age related health problems. Participants may receive acupuncture treatment if interested. \$45. Limited seating. RSVP early.

**LUNCH AT HARBORVIEW, NURSING AND REHAB: WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26, 12 p.m.** Delicious lunch and entertainment. Enjoy a fun day out. Reservations required. Call Elder Affairs to save your seat. Free.

**BROAD COVE CHORALE CONCERT: WEDNESDAY, MAY 3, 11 a.m.** This is a 16-member woman's chorus made up of volunteers, semiprofessionals, and professional musicians committed to the core values of artistic excellence and community enrichment. Don't miss this opportunity to hear them at Willcutt Commons. There is no cost to enjoy this presentation, however join us for lunch after the concert (lunch \$3). 24 hour advance reservation required for lunch.

**BOSTON SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA OPEN REHEARSAL: THURSDAY, MAY 4, 8:30 a.m.** Listen to the beautiful sounds of Shostakovich, Rachmaninoff and Mahler as we join Hingham Elder Services for a trip to the symphony. \$20 for transportation. Purchase your ticket at the box office for an additional \$18-\$30. Pickup location is at South Shore Country Club, Hingham.

**INTERGENERATIONAL LUNCH WITH DEER HILL STUDENTS: THURSDAY, MAY 4, 12 p.m.** Join us as we host Ms. Moser's 4th grade class for lunch. This is a great way to interact with young people in a different arena and enjoy a project or a performance. RSVP for lunch at least 24 hours in advance. \$3.

**REGULARLY SCHEDULED ACTIVITIES:**

**Cohasset Café:** Mondays, 9 to 11 a.m. Drop in for coffee, conversation and fresh baked treats provided by The Friends of Cohasset Elder Affairs. \$3.

**French Conversation Class:** Thursdays, 10 a.m. Looking to improve your French? Informal gatherings for those less-than-expert. Drop in.

**Zumba Gold:** Fridays, 10 to 11 a.m. Ditch the work out!

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**YOGA CLASSES**

**Gentle Yoga:** Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m. Instructor, Amy DiLillo. Drop in \$5.

**Chair Yoga:** Wednesdays, 1 p.m. Instructor, Amy DiLillo. Drop in \$5.

**Qi Gong:** Tuesdays, 4:30-5:15 p.m.

**Veteran's Services Hours:** Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, 9:00 am - Noon.

**Bridge:** Wednesdays, 1 to 4 p.m. Bring your own foursome.

**Stretch and Balance Conditioning:** Mondays 2:30 pm-3:30 pm Low impact class focusing on balance and flexibility.

**Strength and Conditioning Class:** Thursdays, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Follow the instruction of an exercise therapist to improve upper and lower body strength, endurance, and flexibility. \$5 per class.

**Book Club:** Second Friday of the month, 10 a.m. May book: "The Race Underground," by Doug Most

**Hearing Clinic:** Second Friday of the month, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., by appt.

**Knitting:** Drop in. Fridays from 11 to 12:30 pm. Learners welcome.

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## GRANT FUNDING

## Crackdown on distracted driving underway

Cohasset police are participating in a nationwide crackdown on texting and driving. The mobilization, called "U Drive, U Text, U Pay," through April 28.

Cohasset police are just one of almost 200 Massachusetts law enforcement agencies who received funds to target this growing safety

problem. The funds are from a federal grant administered through the Executive Office of Public Safety & Security's Highway Safety Division from the National Highway Safety Administration.

The grant allows additional officers to be on patrol who will be specifically looking for drivers who are

texting and driving, driving while distracted, impeding their safe operation, and for the use of phones or any electronic devices by those under 18 (Junior Operators).

Police conducting these patrols are in both marked police cruisers and unmarked police vehicles. For the safety of drivers,

those police officers operating an unmarked police vehicle will be in full uniform. Drivers who are stopped risk a citation that could result in increased insurance costs.

Massachusetts banned texting while driving in September 2013. Adult drivers (18 and older) who read,

write or send electronic messages or browse the internet while operating face a \$105 fine for their first offense. This includes even if your vehicle is stopped in traffic (or at a red light or stop sign).

Junior Operators, those under 18, are entirely prohibited from using any mobile

phone or electronic device while driving (includes being stopped in traffic, red light or stop sign). This also includes making or receiving any phone calls. The fine for a Junior Operator is a \$105 fine, a 60-day license suspension, plus completion of a "driver attitudinal course."

## POLICE BEAT

## Cohasset man almost scammed on Craig's List

By Mary Ford  
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deposit the check and send the difference. The seller recognized it as a scam and told police.

## Ticketed

A West Roxbury woman visiting someone in the Harborview Apartments behind the police station last Tuesday morning (April 11) parked in front of the police garage bays blocking them. She returned to her 1999 Volkswagen Passat just in time to avoid the tow as the wrecker arrived. However, she was issued a parking ticket, police said.

## Not drinking

Police checked the man sitting in the driver's seat of a Jeep Cherokee in the parking lot at Tedeschi Plaza after receiving a report that he appeared to be drinking alcohol in the vehicle around 4:12 p.m. on Tuesday (April 11). As it turned out the man had a soft drink in a dark soda bottle that could look like a beer.

## MVA

Police responded to a two-vehicle crash on Sohier Street by the driveway to Willcutt Commons on Tuesday (April 11) around 8:52 a.m.

A 1997 Ford town pickup truck, operated by a 45-year-old Scituate man who is a town employee, was waiting for traffic to clear to make a left into the driveway at Willcutt Commons when the truck was rear-ended by a 2013 Hyundai Elantra, operated by a 43-year-old Cohasset man.

The Hyundai was towed; the truck was drivable, police said. There were bumps and bruises but no serious injuries. The driver of the Hyundai was given a verbal warning for failure to use caution.

## Bad check

A 69-year-old Cohasset man reported to police last week that he had almost become the victim of a scam. He posted an antique desk on Craig's List for \$600 and engaged with a potential buyer. When the check arrived it was for \$1950; the buyer claimed it was an error but wanted the seller to

## MV stop/tow

An officer observed the driver of a 2007 Toyota Land Cruiser texting while operating on King Street (Route 3A) around 5 p.m. on Wednesday (April 12) and pulled the vehicle over. Investigation at the scene showed the 58-year-old Scituate man, who was driving, had an expired registration that was non-renewable. The vehicle was towed and he was issued a \$105 citation for operating an unregistered motor vehicle and he was also issued a \$105 citation for texting while driving.

## MV stop/tow

The 54-year-old Cohasset woman whose 2008 Mercedes was stopped around 2:30 p.m. on Thursday (April 13) on Sohier Street after the officer ran a computer check on the vehicle is being summoned to court. The computer showed the registration was revoked due to nonpayment of insurance. She will be in court to answer the charges of operating without insurance and operating an unregistered motor vehicle, police said. Her

## Wallet found

A 56-year-old Cohasset woman found a tri-fold man's wallet with cash but no ID in town and brought it to the station on Thursday night (April 13). Police are holding it at the station hoping the owner will come forward.

## Larceny report

A 56-year-old Cohasset man, who lives in a neighborhood off Jerusalem Road, reported to police last Friday that a \$3500 company laptop he had left at his home to be picked up by UPS was missing. The company never received the device. When the Cohasset man came home and the laptop was not there, he assumed UPS had picked it up.

## Vandalism

A 45-year-old Hingham man who owns a local construction company reported to police on Friday morning (April 14) that someone tried to tamper with the air cleaner in his excavator that was parked off Crocker Lane.

## MVA

Police responded to a two-car accident on Chief Justice Cushing Highway (Route 3A) on Friday (April 14) around 10:30 a.m. A 2005 Buick LeSabre, operated by a 17-year-old Hingham girl, tried to pass a 2008 Volvo on the right as the Volvo had slowed to make a right-hand turn onto Crocker Lane. The Buick hit the Volvo damaging the right side of the Volvo and

SEE POLICE, A12

## GUN INCIDENT RESPONSE



The scene on Doane Street last Friday when police executed a search warrant at a home with 100 unsecured weapons. (COURTESY PHOTO)

## Police flooded with angry online comments, calls

Say man's Second Amendment rights violated

By Mary Ford  
mford@wickedlocal.com

"Whether it is a good law or a bad law, we have to enforce it and act in the best interests of the community."

Chief Bill Quigley

The Cohasset Police Department's Facebook posting about the incident involving guns being confiscated from a home at 50 Doane St. last Friday (April 14) was viewed more than 650,000 times by people from around the country,

some of whom were expressing outrage in the comments section that the gun owner's Second Amendment rights were violated. Chief Bill Quigley has also been fielding phone calls from places as far away as Texas and Alabama, including

from some callers who were angrily questioning the incident. Under Massachusetts State Law, firearms have to be secured in a locked cabinet or with a trigger lock. "They apparently do not understand the gun

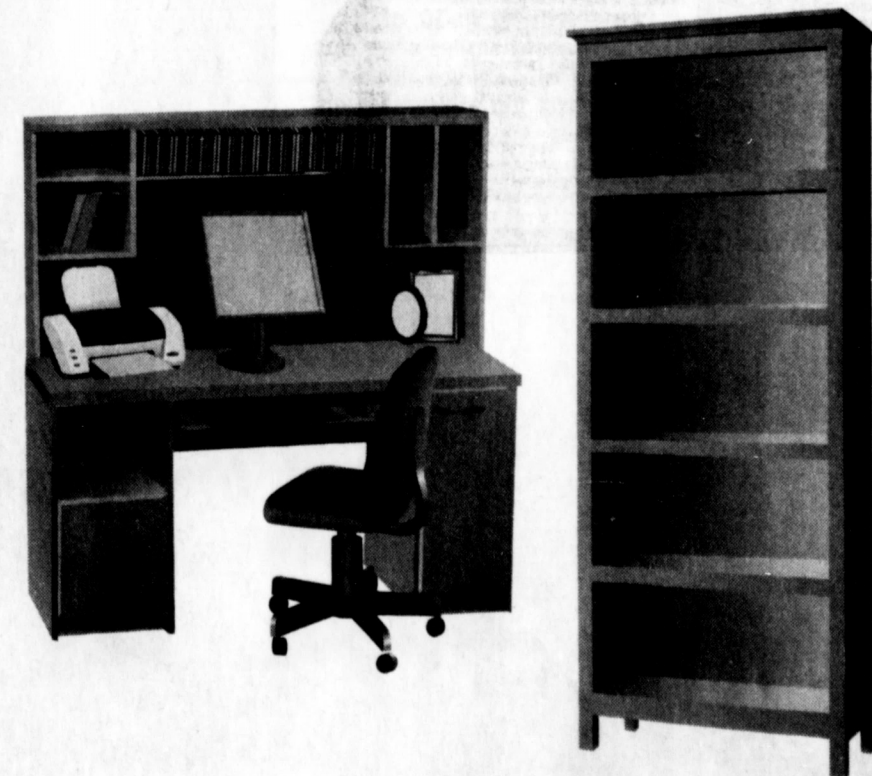
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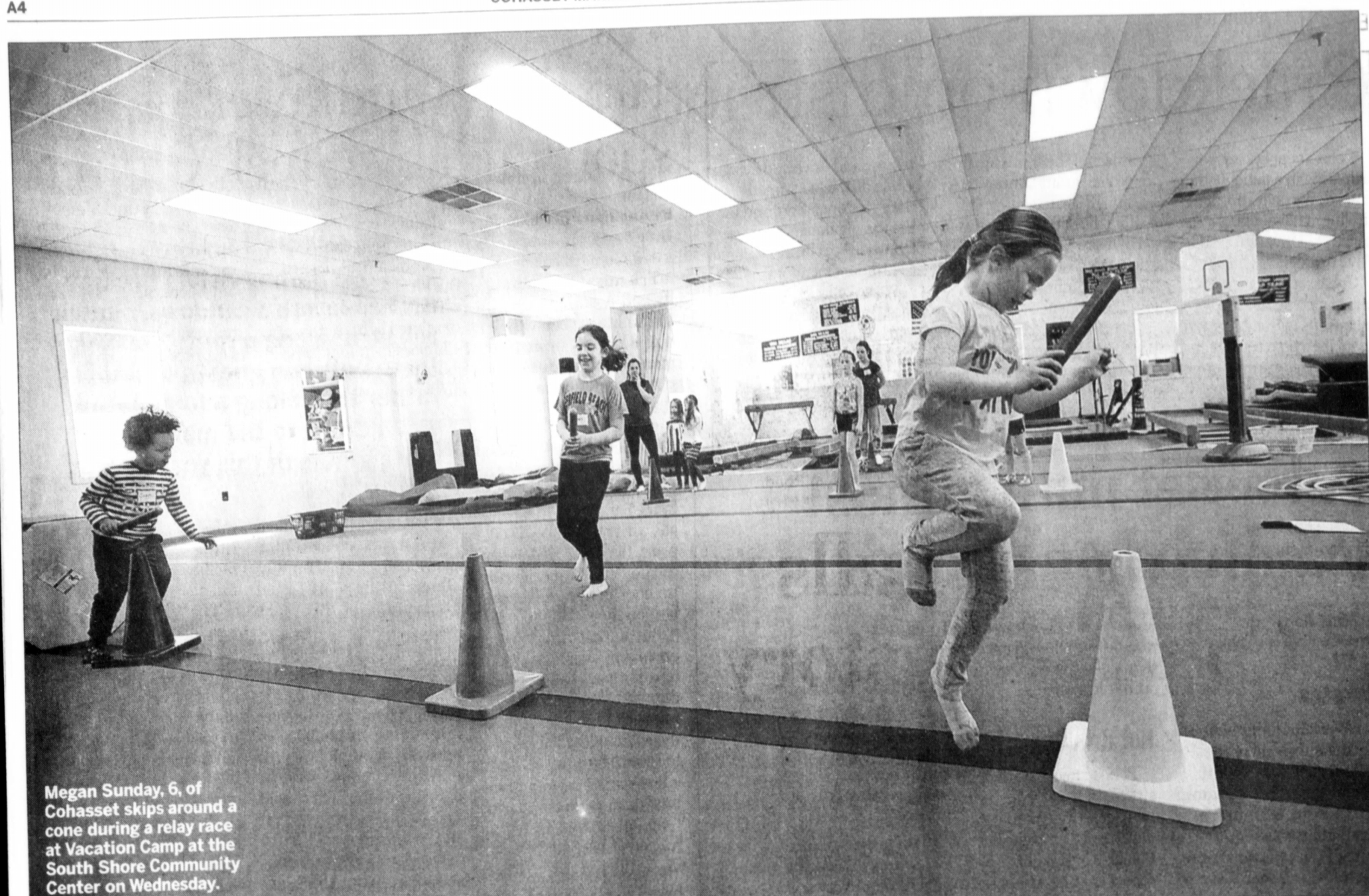
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Megan Sunday, 6, of Cohasset skips around a cone during a relay race at Vacation Camp at the South Shore Community Center on Wednesday.

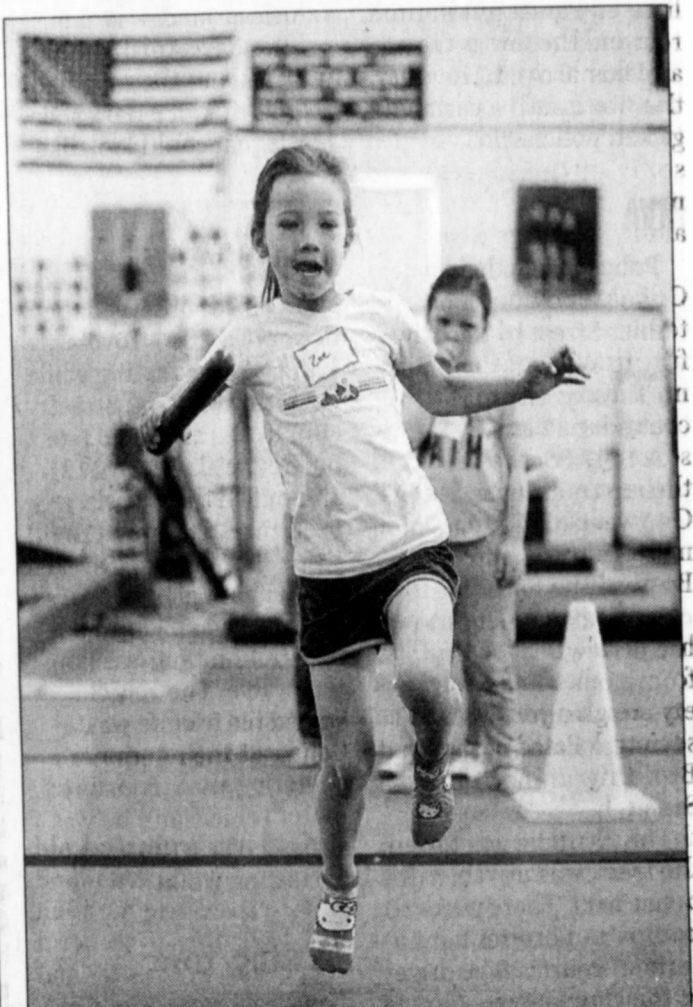
## COMMUNITY CENTER

## Vacation Fun

Staff photos by Robin Chan



Puff balls fly around while Adriana Jeffers, 10, of Cohasset and the other students shake the parachute.



Zoe Evans, 5, of Cohasset hops on one foot while racing in a relay race.

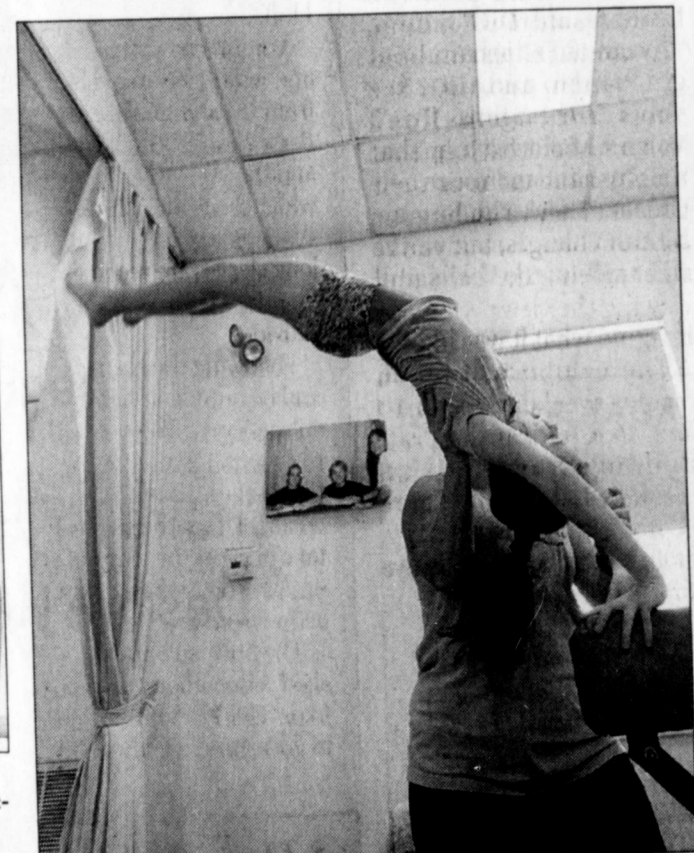
Allie Ryan, 10, of Scituate does a handstand before dismounting from the beam during Vacation Fun.



Jaxon Peart, 4, of Cohasset smiles while shaking the parachute to make the puffs fly.



Lylah Jackson, 10, of Cohasset smiles after successfully doing a flip over the top bar of the uneven bars.



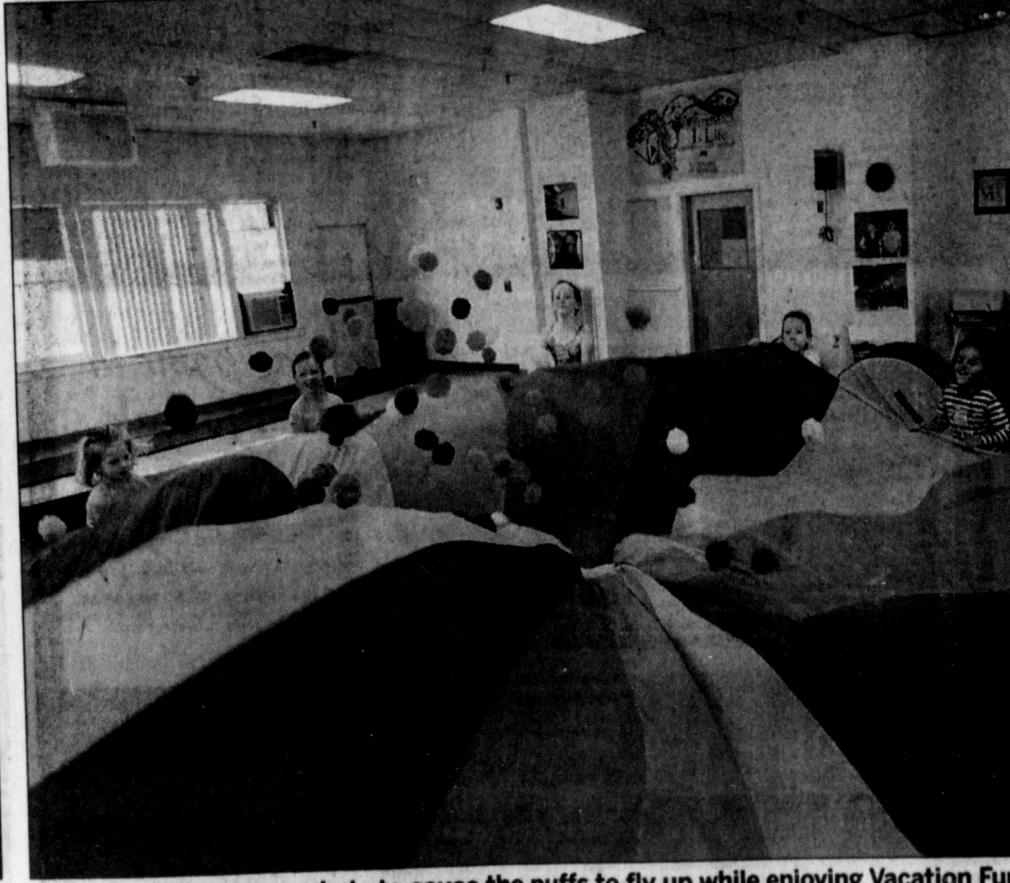
Arwen Rippetoe, 8, of Cohasset dismounts off the beam.



Alanah Benotti, 9, of Cohasset jumps off the vault while going from station to station in an obstacle course.



Jaxon Peart, 4, of Cohasset exchanges places with another student at Vacation Fun.



Children shake the parachute to cause the puffs to fly up while enjoying Vacation Fun.

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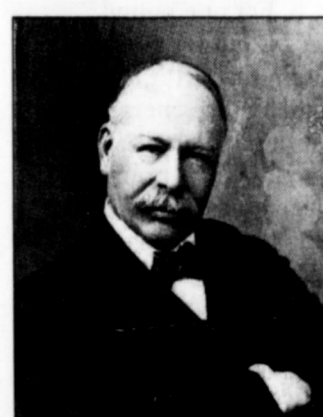
Henry Whitney and his friends built extravagant houses along Jerusalem Road, where they spent their summers starting around the late 1880s. [COURTESY PHOTO]

Walking the halls  
of Cohasset historyBy Amanda C. Thompson  
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## ONE TRAIN, ONE BOOK

■ "One Train, One Book" is an innovative program funded by the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners (MBLC) and supported by the MBTA that will connect daily riders of the Greenbush Commuter Line with their local libraries in Cohasset, Hingham, Scituate, and Weymouth.

■ This program is a great opportunity for commuters whose long days and busy schedules prevent them from getting to the library. On the mornings of April 10 and 11, librarians were at each Greenbush line station to meet commuters and distribute books and information about related programming.



Henry Whitney lived in Boston around the turn of the 20th century, but he and his friends made Cohasset their summer home. [COURTESY PHOTO]

will be speaking at the Historical Society on April 26. DiGiacomo's gears started turning when she picked up the book a few months ago and recognized Whitney's name. Whitney was apparently a key player in getting Boston's railway system up and running. DiGiacomo thought that creating this exhibit would be a great way to add even more depth to the community reading experience and partnered with the library to make it happen.

The society hopes to include five of these historic homes on its house tour this summer. All told, there are 17 profiles in the exhibit, but some of those houses have been rebuilt or converted into condos, while others are housing families who have no idea about the history of their home. So far, only two owners have agreed to have their houses featured, but there's still plenty of time.

"That would be a fun tie-in," said DiGiacomo. "To come in, learn about these men, and then see what Jerusalem Road was all about back in that time period and tour their houses. They've undergone a lot of changes, but you're still walking the halls and viewing the views — you can imagine what it was like."

The exhibit will be on display weekdays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Pratt Building from April 26 through Labor Day. There is no charge for entry, though donations are always appreciated.

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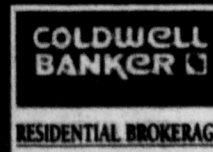


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Fabulous fundraiser  
sponsored by Greek ChurchBy Amanda C. Thompson  
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Friends of the Nativity and Assumption of the Virgin Mary Greek Orthodox Church ("Panagia" to members) will be looking good and doing good at the church's spring fashion show April 30.

With clothes by Little Shop of Paula's in Hull, music by DJ Mark Shom, and dinner by the Barker Tavern in Scituate, where the show will take place, the event promises to carry on the fun and fabulous tradition of the church's past fashion shows.

But Katina Belezos, who organizes the show, is excited to offer something a little different this year, harkening back to earlier years of the event when Paula's was the go-to wardrobe. It's been a few years of dressing the models in higher-end boutique attire, but this year's runway is back to showcasing a wider variety of styles and fits.

"This is more casual, and Paula's fits every shape, size and age," said Belezos. Since the models are all local volunteers, many from the congregation, the greater diversity of garb will make it possible for everyone to join in. "It'll be more laid-back and fun for the people."

Little Shop of Paula's gets samples from a variety of designers, most of them American-made. Models will have a chance to choose their ensembles the Wednesday before the show.

Set against the backdrop of Scituate Harbor visible through Barker Tavern's windows, models will strut

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The \$35 ticket price includes a chicken dinner and dessert catered by the Barker Tavern. The owners of the tavern are members of the Greek Church and provided the venue at cost rather than turning a profit so that the proceeds can go further and do more good.

Proceeds from ticket sales, as well as from the silent auction to be hosted later in the afternoon, will benefit Philoptochos Charities and will help the church build a new community center, as well as supporting the church's other obligations — to support priests and their families, theological students, families within the congregation, and organizations like the American Cancer Society.

Belezos said the community center is a real need as the congregation grows. The church serves about 80 to 90 families and has no place to gather besides the sanctuary. There's no good place to have Sunday school or any other kind of meeting or event.

"It's the only thing really

missing in the church," she said. "We have to rent a facility to have any kind of function."

The center will be built right next to the church. The foundation was already laid 10 years ago under previous church leadership, but the plans were abandoned as too elaborate and expensive as the congregation dwindled. Now that the church is back to a healthy size, they're ready to look at more modest plans to fill the needs of their community.

DJ Mark Shom and special guests will provide the soundtrack. "Special guests" could even include you, as the DJ is known for setting up a screen and microphones for guests to sing karaoke. Belezos said people always get up to sing and dance when Shom performs, and the event promises to be a great time for all.

Purchase tickets at Little Shop of Paula's in Hull (next to Toast on Nantasket Beach) or by calling Katina Belezos at 781-738-3761. The event takes place on Sunday, April 30 from 2 to 6 p.m.

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## SAVE THE DATE

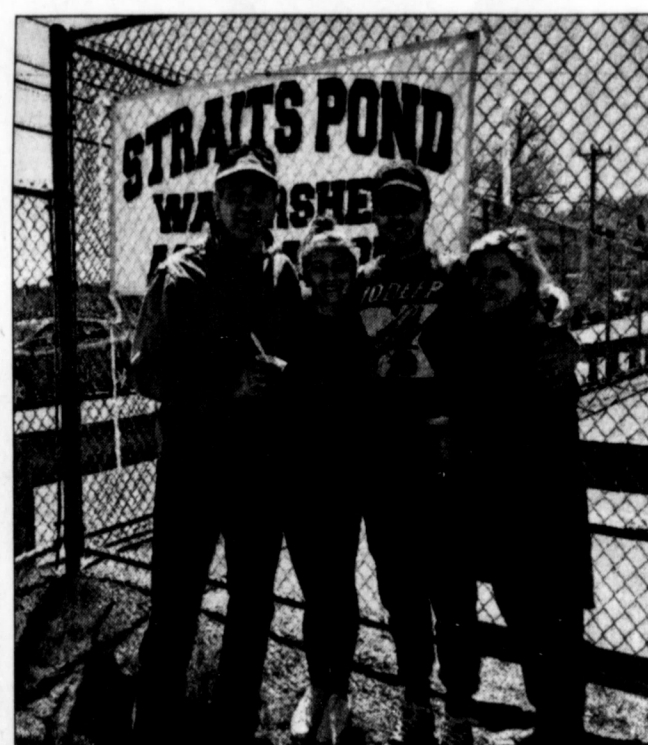
## Straits Pond annual cleanup coming

Join Straits Pond Watershed Association (SPWA) for the annual spring cleanup from 10 a.m. to noon on April 29th beginning at both Wadleigh Park, located at Forest Avenue and Jerusalem Road in Cohasset across from Black Rock Beach, and also starting at 150 Atlantic Ave. in Hull.

Volunteers will clear litter and winter storm debris from the shorelines of Black Rock Beach, Straits Pond and the Weir River Estuary, which feeds into the pond. Work gloves, long pants and long sleeves are recommended. Trash bags will be provided.

Following the cleanup and beginning at noon, volunteers will be treated to a complimentary picnic that includes Nona's ice cream. The gathering will take place at the playground on Atlantic Avenue in Hull, across from the pond.

The Straits Pond Watershed Association's mission is to provide community input to government committees



Vinna, Eleanor, Patrick and Katie Dunn of Cohasset enjoy Nona's ice cream after the 2016 Straits Pond Clean Up. [COURTESY PHOTO]

and agencies and facilitate efforts to maintain and improve the environmental quality and beauty of Straits Pond, a 100-acre salt pond and state-designated area of critical environmental concern that abuts

encircles Cohasset, Hull and Hingham.

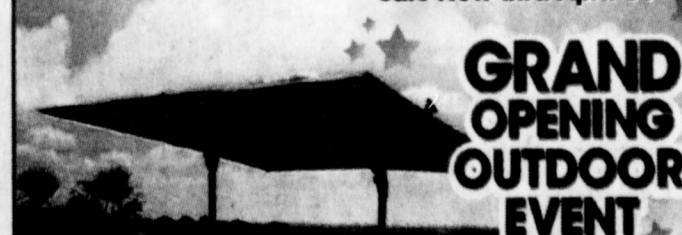
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## Plant sale at Holly Hill Farm

## Greetings

Hey Cohasset, it is great to be talking with you this week as we look ahead towards the end of April and beginning of May with some events and news. I hope that your holiday weekend was nice for those who celebrated. For all those who ran, cheered and protected our city during the Boston Marathon... WOW! Boston Strong. Thank you for an amazing day.

Many of you are finishing up your April vacation this week and I hope that you do so with fun and happy days, and quality time spent together. Please make sure as we look ahead to a very busy season to send your notices of events and news to me NO LATER than Tuesdays by 5 p.m. at aroundtowncohasset@yahoo.com.

The column is so much fun to fill with both personal and happy news as well as the great and exciting things that take place in the community! One of those great things happening is the opening of JJs on Rt. 3A! Make sure to go on up and say hi to all! Enjoy your week Cohasset, 1-4-3!

## Meet artist

The South Shore Art Center would like to let us all know about the exhibit by Karen McEachern Cass which will be at the Paul Pratt Memorial Library from May 1st through June 30th. A meet the artist reception will happen on Fri., May 5, from 6 to 8 p.m.; refreshments will be provided. For more contact the library at 781-383-1348.



JENNIFER PIEPENBRINK

## St. Sebastian's

Hats off to William M. McInerney, of Cohasset, a seventh-grader, who earned honors with distinction for effort on the third-quarter honor roll at St. Sebastian's School.

## Plant Sale

I love this, hooray! An early Plant Sale will take place Saturday and Sunday (April 22 & 23) from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Holly Hill Farm.

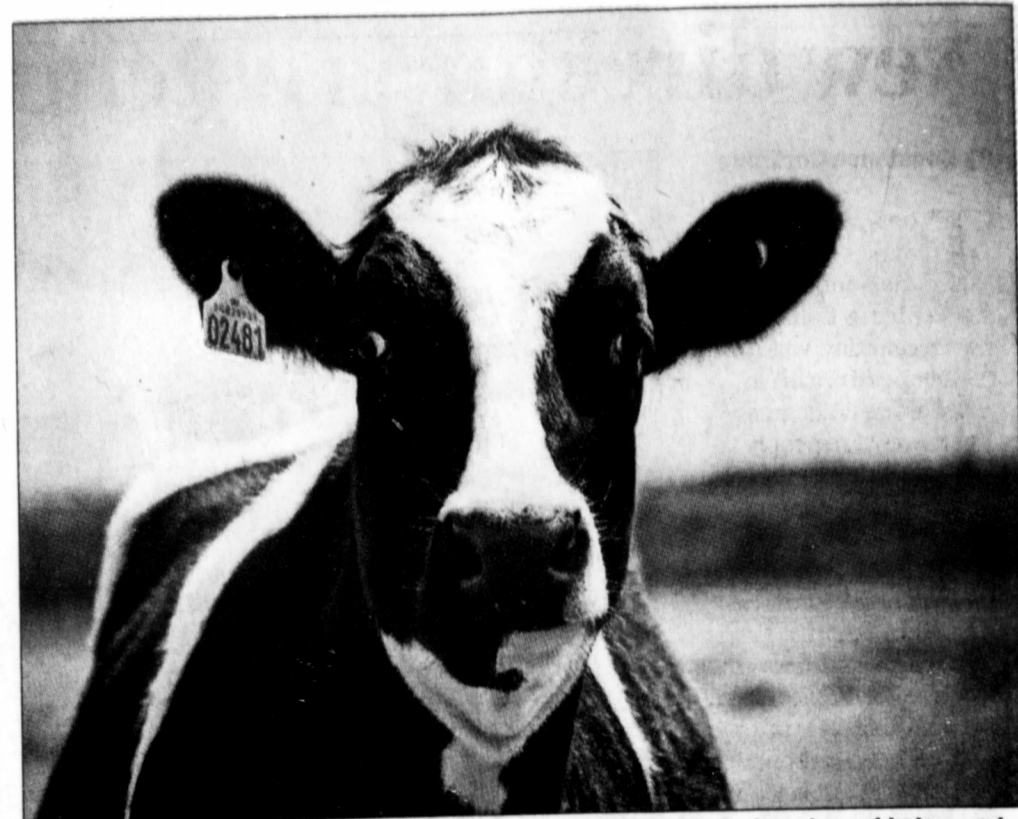
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Another great Holly Hill bit of news is that you can bring reusable bags on Earth Day, Saturday (April 22nd) to the Hingham Fruit Center Marketplace, 79 Water St., between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. The Fruit Center will donate \$2 for each reusable bag patrons bring and use while shopping to The Friends of Holly Hill Farm. Please bring your reusable shopping bags and help support The Friends of Holly Hill Farm!

*That's it for the week Cohasset. Have a great week ahead, remember to try each day to offer a "pay-it-forward" moment to someone if possible, listen to those who need it and if you are in need, don't be ashamed to reach out. It takes a Village for us all to function and work together as a "community."*

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## WILD COHASSET



Grass fed beef: The #1 reason the Amazonian rainforest is being cleared is to create grazing land for beef cattle. [COURTESY PHOTO]

## Top 5 easy Earth Day resolutions

Many people who care about the environment feel powerless about their ability to make an impact, or guilty about what they are not doing. Let's change that...this Earth day, here are 5 easy things you prove you don't have to overhaul your entire life to make a positive impact.

1. Drive a little slower: Not everyone wants a hybrid. If you have a gas guzzler, just try to keep under 70 mph more often and you'll reduce emissions. You'll also save money. Someone who is much better at math than I am calculated this formula: for every 5 miles driven over the 65-mph speed limit, the average commuter will save 4 minutes of travel time, but spend an extra \$46 on gas each month. Is it really worth it?

2. Adjust your thermostat by 3 degrees: Turn it down in winter, and up



LISEY GOOD

in summer. A nice bonus: you will save nearly 10 percent on your energy bill, or 3% for every degree that you adjust.

3. Eat one pound less meat per person per month: It takes much more energy and resources to raise animals than to grow grains and vegetables, and did you know that 80 percent of clearing of the Brazilian rain-forest is done to create grazing land for beef cattle?

4. Don't take a plastic bag if you don't need it: Keep a reusable bag (or a plastic CVS bag) in your purse or car so you don't need a new bag every time

you shop at the drug or convenience store.

5. Plant (or don't cut down) trees: We need them, birds and other wildlife need them, and trees help make Cohasset the gorgeous town that it is. I'm a member of the group called Citizens for Cohasset's Future (CohassetCitizen.org) that has drafted 3 bylaw changes to help protect trees (and the environment) in town. For a greener future for Cohasset, I'll be voting yes on all three at Town Meeting on May 1st.

*—Lisey Good is a Cohasset resident and one of the founders of Wild Cohasset, an environmental group of volunteers dedicated to keeping the wild spaces of Cohasset beautiful and healthy, with a major focus on rooting out non-native plants. Note: we need volunteers on May 7! More at Wild-Cohasset.org*

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## ART CENTER

## New director is listening and learning

By Constance Gorfinkle

There was no art to be seen at the South Shore Art Center in Cohasset on a recent day, when the temperature hit an astonishing 85 degrees. But there were people to be seen, staff members, working on upcoming events, while teachers, students and the galleries were on break until the last week of April.

Among the staff, was the new director, Patrice Maye, who only took over this job on April 1. "So, right now," she said, "I'm just listening and learning."

An ebullient and attractive woman, who is mother to Cole, 14, Declan, 9, and wife of Jay FitzGibbons, a musician, Maye would seem to be a perfect fit for the art center, not because she's a visual artist herself, but because much of her professional life has been devoted to supporting the arts and those who create art. Her particular qualifier? "I'm not afraid to fundraise," she stated.

That ability has led to several posts as development director in a variety of fields, but none so rewarding as working for an organization called Artists for Humanity (AFH), founded by artist Susan Rodgerson of Hull in 1991, with the idea of introducing art into the lives of underserved students in Boston schools.

That project began with a handful of young people from one Boston school, whose large, collaborative paintings eventually were sold to local businesses. Rodgerson publicized this effort by placing the kids' works in the windows of a downtown department store. So happy were Rodgerson's charges by this exciting and validating experience that they



Patrice Maye, the new director of the South Shore Arts Center in Cohasset, right now is "just listening and learning." [COURTESY PHOTO]

prevailed upon her to continue with it after the school year ended.

The rest is history, a history to which Maye was a big contributor, as the small experiment grew into a major enterprise, which in 2004 was able to fund its own award-winning, all-green facility in the Fort Point Channel Arts District of South Boston.

Besides accommodating a variety of artists studios, the 23,500-square-foot building, named EpiCenter, included an open gallery, large enough to hold 500 people, for all kinds of events, ranging from exhibitions to weddings. Currently, EpiCenter is undergoing a \$28 million expansion — Maye's last large undertaking with AFH — which will add 30,000 square feet

for ongoing and future programming.

During some of the time Maye worked for AFH, she lived in East Boston, enjoying the diversity and activity a busy city provides. But, there's nothing like having a baby to wake one up to the fact that life in a quiet suburb might be easier.

Today, Maye and her family live in Scituate, where — she put her skills into local projects, such as turning Scituate's Front Street into a cultural district.

Happy with her position at AFH, and proud of her accomplishments there, Maye, nevertheless, was intrigued when she learned a few months ago that the South Shore Art Center was looking for a new director.

"I knew about the center, of course, and often had

promised myself to enroll Declan in one of the art classes, but I always forgot when they were going to begin."

In fact, beyond classes, Maye was pretty much unaware of what else the center had to offer, such as the satellites they have in other towns, outreach to numerous South Shore schools, a free non-resident artist program for classes 3 through 12, during which students have a chance to work with and learn from a professional artist, and a vibrant membership

program.

"Though I am perfect for its demographic, I just didn't feel part of this community," she added, marveling at that incongruity.

It is that inadvertent sense of exclusion Maye wants to overcome. "I want people to know that anyone can come in here seven days a week, free of charge, to see art."

Constance Gorfinkle is a regular columnist and correspondent.

## ELECTION

## Absentee ballots available Monday

Absentee ballots for the Annual Town Election on May 13 will be available starting Monday April 24 at the Town Clerk's office. Absentee voting may be done during normal office hours until noon on Friday, May 12, at which time the office will be closed to prepare for the election.

You may vote absentee for the following reasons only:

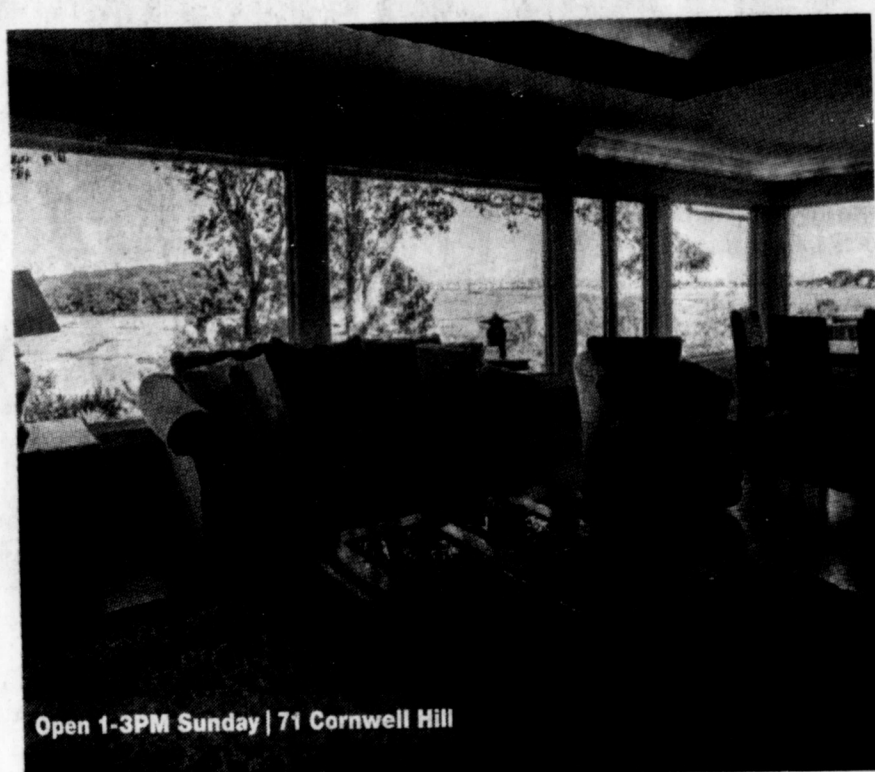
1. Absence from the town during the hours the polls are open.
2. Physical disability.
3. Religious beliefs, which prevent voting at the polls on Election Day.

The applicant must request an absentee ballot. Applications are available in the Town Clerk's office or a written, signed request can be sent by mail, or hand delivered by the voter or any other person. The application should include the legal voting address of the voter, where the ballot is to be mailed, and the signature of the applicant.

A family member of a person qualified to vote by absentee ballot may apply on behalf of such voter. The applicant shall state his or her relationship to the absentee voter; sign the application under the pains and penalties of perjury and mail or hand deliver the application to the clerk's office. Absentee ballots must be mailed to the voter. Returned ballots should be mailed or can be delivered by an immediate member of the family to the Town Clerk's office by May 13 to be counted.

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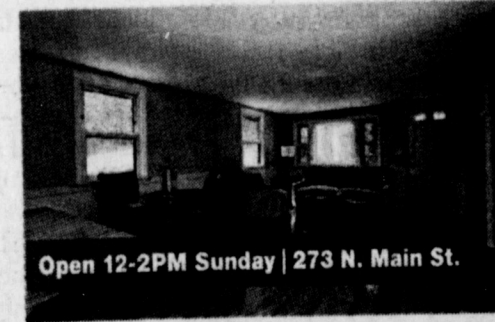


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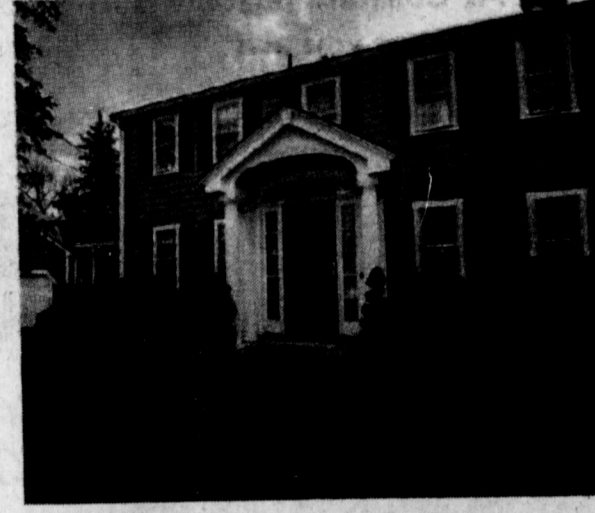
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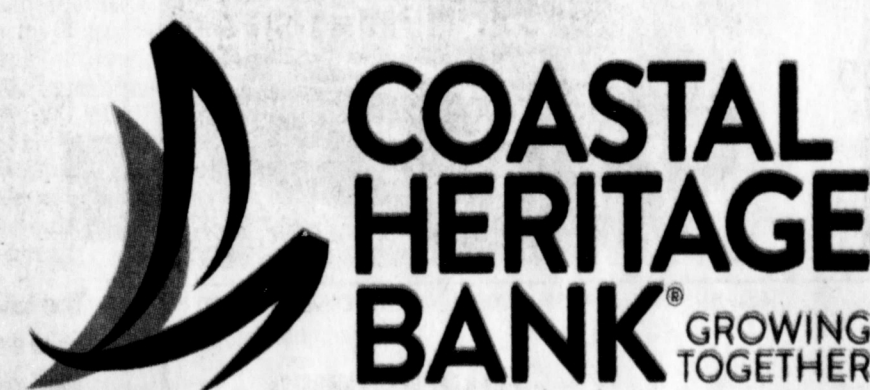
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## 5 THINGS TO DO



Jess Phaneuf as Ado Annie and Rylan Vachon as cowhand Will Parker are featured in Hingham Civic Music Theatre's "Oklahoma!" opening Saturday at 7:30 and Sunday at 2 p.m. The show's two weekend runs closes at the same Saturday and Sunday times April 29 and 30. (COURTESY PHOTO)

**1. ON STAGE:** "Oklahoma!" is set to open this Saturday and Sunday for the first of its two-weekend Hingham Civic Music Theatre run. It's on the Sanborn stage, at 7:30 p.m. on opening night and a 2 p.m. Sunday matinee, that Jack Cappadona, as Curly, opens the classic Rodgers & Hammerstein musical with "Oh What a Beautiful Morning." Soon, he's joined by CJ Hawes, as Laurey, with their gorgeous voices blending in "People Will Say We're in Love" and "The Surrey with the Fringe on Top." And Laurey captivates with "Many a New Day." For all shows, April 22 and 23, and April 29 and 30, tickets are \$20, and are available online at hcmto.kbpt.me, by calling 781-749-3400, or visiting the hcmto.org website. Hingham Town Hall and its Sanborn Auditorium are at 210 Central St.

**4. PLANT SALE:** 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. April 22-23. Open to all, Holly Hill Farm's Early Plant Sale will have strong, healthy, organically grown seedlings for sale. Featuring only the crops ready for the cool weather days of April and early May, such as broccoli, kale, leeks, onions, scallions, Swiss chard, lettuce, cauliflower, snow and sugar snap peas, plus Sweet Alyssum and edible Johnny Jump-Up flowers. Seed packets, soil and amendments, too. Farm Manager Jasmin may have some new and unique varieties ready for purchase during the sale. Cash, checks or credit/debit.

**2. ELECTRIC CAR SHOW:** The New England Electric Auto Association, 350MASS South Shore, Sustainable South Shore, and Solar Hingham will be hosting an Earth Day hybrid/electric car show and ride and drive event at the Hingham Library on Saturday, April 22, from 12 to 5 p.m. This event is free and open to the public. For more information contact Jesse Rudavsky at: 617-483-0994.

**3. SPEAKER ON PAR-ENTING:** Dr. Leonard Sax, physician, psychologist, and author of four best-selling books for parents,

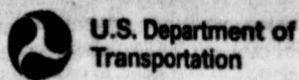
will present, "The Collapse of Parenting: What You Need to Know in Order to be an Effective Parent in the 21st Century," at Derby Academy on Thursday, April 27 at 7 p.m. in Larson Hall. Join the discussion as Dr. Sax explains some of today's challenges facing parents. The Derby Academy Speaker Series is free and open to the public.

**5. COLLEGE FUNDING:** New England Advisors Group is holding a free College Funding workshop on how to pay for College with-out going broke at 175 Derby St., Suite 12 in Hingham. This is must for parents of children preparing to go college. Workshop will be held on April 25th and May 2nd at 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. space is limited so please call (781) 740-1175 to reserve your spot.



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## HEALTH

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Why? Because Lyme disease, PANS, and other infections (tick-borne and otherwise) aren't supposed to affect the brain. The blood-brain barrier is supposed to prevent that. But in patients with weaker barriers, antibodies fighting the infection can cross into the brain and manifest as psychiatric symptoms. Treat the infection with antibiotics instead of psych meds, and the problem goes away.

"Our goal here is to model a different type of healthcare," said Monarch. "Can we get to the root causes instead of putting a 10-year-old on three psych meds? What are all the different ways we can create a healing environment in the body?"

To that end, the office is staffed with five medical practitioners, two neuropsychologists (including Monarch), a therapist, a therapeutic yoga meditation teacher, a breath work practitioner, an acupuncturist, an acupressurist (who achieves the same results without using needles), a chiropractor, and two health coaches who do nutrition and diet work with patients.

The office itself is versatile, with most rooms serving multiple purposes. But the first thing patients are likely to notice when they walk in is that it's homey. It doesn't look like a doctor's office.

The meditation room is pale blue from floor to ceiling, with blue candles dotting the windowsills. The acupuncture room is decked out in rich purple with exotic mandalas on the furniture and accent pillows. Even the waiting room has lime green chairs. Salt lamps glow softly in the corners.

If all that sounds a little too New-Age, the center's goal isn't to replace traditional medicine, but to supplement it with holistic solutions that actually work. "We've had the good fortune of seeing people recover, and once you see that, it's really hard to forget it," said Monarch. "We've seen kids recover who were misdiagnosed with bipolar, schizophrenia, juvenile arthritis, depression, OCD, Tourette's..."

Monarch said some young patients had stopped going to school and playing sports. "They lost their whole identity," she said. "At nine years old, two years of untreated PANS is devastating."

The good news is, it's treatable. You just have to get to the root cause. That can take time, if the infection has been untreated for five years, and there may be mental and emotional healing to be done, as well as most patients have been told they're mentally ill, and many feel they haven't been listened to. But these diseases are not incurable.

Chronic Lyme and PANS don't just affect kids, but they do manifest differently in adults. Adults are often misdiagnosed with fibromyalgia, Multiple Sclerosis, and chronic fatigue. See sidebar for signs and symptoms that should trigger an office visit.

The Lyme and PANS Treatment Center can also help address other unusual or chronic symptoms. 20 percent of their patients do not have tick-borne illnesses, but still benefit from the nutrition, acupuncture, or Yin yoga specialists at the practice.

**How it began**  
Ten years ago, while working in Rhode Island as a nurse and health psychologist, Monarch couldn't figure out why some young patients with anxiety disorders, Tourette's-like tics, obsessive-compulsive disorder or attention deficit disorders were not responding to either therapy or medication.

To make matters more confusing, she couldn't figure out where the disorders had come from and why they'd struck so suddenly. Usually there's an environmental cause or trigger, but

for these patients, there was no trauma, no explanation. One of her first patients was obsessed with the idea of killing himself, but for no reason that anyone could see. Why? And how was she supposed to help him?

Then, eight years ago when she moved to the medical building on 3A in Cohasset, Monarch had her light-bulb moment. Another therapist in the community suggested that her suicidal patient actually had PANDAS caused by untreated strep. Sure enough, after taking antibiotics, the patient recovered, and his obsession with taking his own life subsided.

But because of the medical community's resistance to the idea of physical causes for mental illness, Monarch had a hard time getting doctors to run the tests she needed. Her patients' primary care physicians would say that the health problems were due to the patient's anxiety.

"We opened the center because we had to," said Monarch. As successful as her practice has been, Monarch would rather not see you or your family this summer. See sidebar for tips on avoiding tick bites and what to do if you find a tick on your body (do NOT burn the tick or put Vaseline on it!).

### Signs of untreated infection (kids)

- Kids don't complain as much about physical symptoms, but will come across as whiny, difficult, anxious, distracted, or fatigued. They may get angry more easily.
- Sudden onset of psychiatric issues like obsessive compulsive disorder, depression, or ADHD.
- Sudden onset of movement disorders that may resemble Tourette's.
- If there is a psychiatric cause for these symptoms, that will be treated first. But if the symptoms don't make sense (have no apparent trigger) and are not responding to treatment, it's worth getting tested for an untreated infection.

### Signs of untreated infection (adults)

- Fatigue, inattention, depression, aches and pains, joint pain
- Risk factor: has this person been exposed to a lot of ticks?
- Chronic sore throat, enlarged lymph nodes
- Waking up in pain every day? Don't just attribute it to the aging process, says Monarch. "It's not normal. 40, 50, 60 is not old."

### Avoiding tick bites

- Cover your skin before going into the woods.
- Wear white so it can be easier to spot a tick if you pick one up.
- Change and shower as soon as you come inside.
- Wash your hands, not a washcloth, so you can feel if a tick has attached to you. It will feel like a small scab or bluish.
- Check for ticks every night even if you haven't been in the woods. The population is so high now that you can get one walking down the sidewalk! Ticks like warm, dark areas like the groin, armpits, backs of knees, neck, and scalp.
- Always wear a nontoxic bug spray. The center sells essential oils that can be used to make a safe tick repellent that you can put directly onto your skin (and they smell a lot better than Deet!).
- Spray shoes with permethrin spray once every three weeks. Ticks can't jump or fly, so your shoes are the most likely place for them to grab hold.
- Brush pets every time they come into the house.

### If you get bitten

- DO NOT burn the tick or put Vaseline on it. That makes it expel its contents into your body (gross!).
- DO flip the tick upside down and pull it straight out from the skin using a tick removal instrument or a simple pair of tweezers.
- DO save the tick in a plastic baggie with a wet cotton ball and bring it to the Lyme and PANS Treatment Center to be tested in the lab — free of charge.
- Watch the site of the bite for a rash. If you develop any reaction, even if it's not a bulls-eye, place a quarter next to the site and take a photo. Ticks can carry other diseases that cause different kinds of rashes.
- If you feel sick two to three weeks after the bite, it's time to pay a visit to your doctor.

work really hard to prevent ourselves from getting bitten by ticks.

—Follow Amanda on Twitter for updates: @MarinerAmandaT

## SAVE THE DATES

## History in Bloom coming to town

On May 5th and 6th the Community Garden Club of Cohasset and the Cohasset Historical Society will present "History in Bloom" at the Historical Society's headquarters at 106 South Main St.

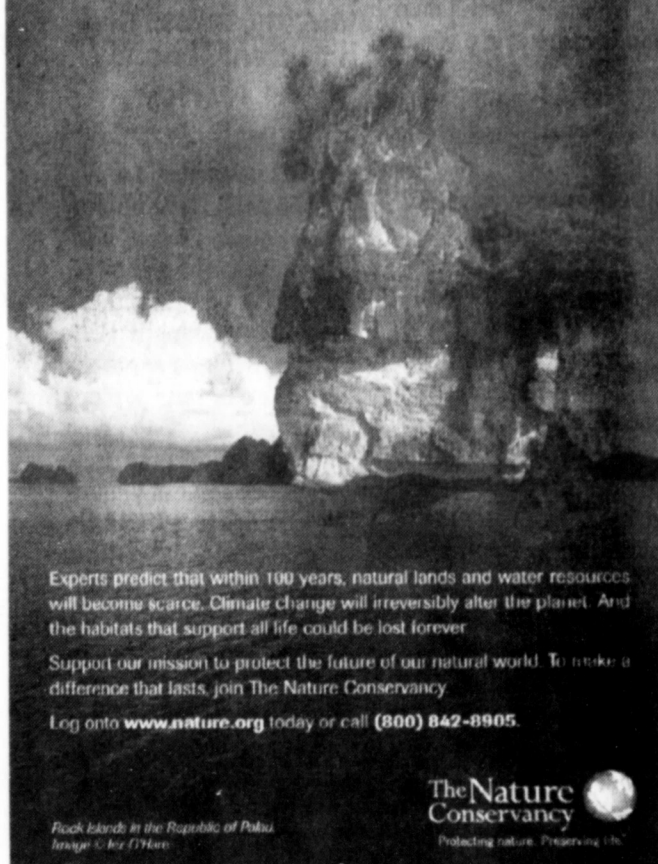
Similar to "Art in Bloom" at the MFA, floral arrangements will reflect artifacts chosen from the Historical Society's collection.

Members of the

Community Garden Club will strive to mimic the shapes, colors and textures that each of the 15 objects present, closely adhering to the principles of floral design. The resulting floral arrangements will mirror the artists' conceptions of the historical pieces.

The community is invited to view the exhibit from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Friday and Saturday.

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## OUR VIEW

# Evolution of Earth Day

The first Earth Day April 22, 1970 was marked by peaceful demonstrations by some 20 million Americans in support of environmental protection and reform. It sparked the political change needed to create the EPA and the passage of landmark legislation including the Clean Air, Clean Water, and the Endangered Species Act.

It's safe to say Earth Day has taken on new meaning and importance since the first Earth Day. Its founder, Gaylord Nelson, was a governor and U.S. Senator from Wisconsin. Nelson, by all accounts, was a liberal Democrat, which brings us to one of the biggest obstacles in the battle to preserve the environment – politics.

While the politicians from both sides – make that “all” sides – of the aisle debate and dispute the merits of the science, technology and statistics about the state of our global environment, we can still continue to do our small part to take care of the common sense part of the equation.

Most communities like Hingham have an ambitious recycling program designed to eliminate the amount of “throw away” waste households generate. Recycling glass, plastics, cardboard, mixed paper, and of course newspaper, has made a difference reducing the waste stream and will continue to do so, saving towns and residents money along the way.

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We learned a hard lesson this past summer about how precious and vulnerable our water resources can be with a prolonged drought. Water conservation is another area we can take personal responsibility for by being smarter in our own usage.

There's certainly more we can do, and Earth Day is a reminder to continue to make strides in areas within our control. But it will take more than one day a year of awareness to make a difference.

In our neck of the woods, we are fortunate to have as part of the fabric of our community so many groups and organizations committed to the very causes Earth Day espouses, including the Weir River Watershed Assoc., Straits Pond Watershed Assoc., North & South Rivers Watershed Assoc., South Shore Natural Science Center, and many others. Environmental protection and land conservation efforts are carried out year-round, helping to preserve the natural beauty that surrounds us on the South Shore.

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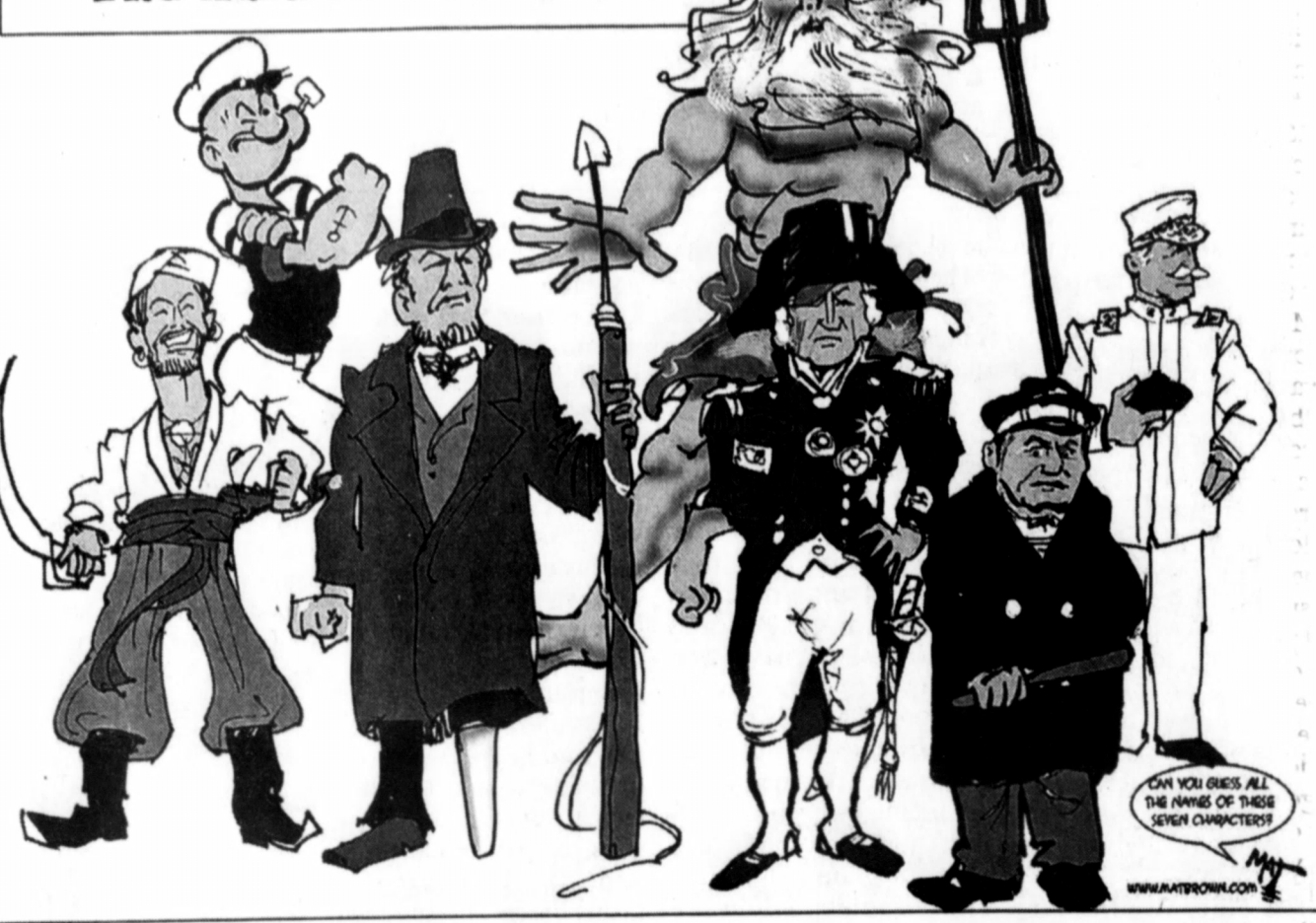
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## Everybody Wants To Be On The Harbor Committee



## LIBRARY CORNER

## Ed Perry to talk about Greenbush history

**Paul Pratt Memorial Library, 35 Ripley Road.** Call 781-383-1348 for more information or visit our website at [www.cohassetlibrary.org](http://www.cohassetlibrary.org).

**National Autism Awareness Month Speaker:** Chris Hall, founder and CEO of Computers for the Autistic Foundation, will give a talk at noon on Saturday, April 29th at the library. Chris, who has autism, created a career for himself from his love of computers. Meet Chris and listen to his story! All are welcome.

## SPONSOR A FLAG

## Field of Honor returns for 11th Year

**What:** Once again The Sons of the American Legion, Squadron 118 of Cohasset, will post hundreds of United States Flags in a poignant display honoring local veterans. The Field of Honor recognizes the veterans who have so valiantly served our country to protect and preserve our freedom.

**When:** For the 11th straight year, the flags will fly from the lawn facing the Veterans Memorial which itself will be encircled by the flags of the 50 states. Residents of Cohasset and the surrounding area will experience this inspiring display of flags from May 20th to June 4th, as the Stars and Stripes flutter proudly atop eight-foot poles set in ordered lines. This touching memorial is free to the public. The Healing Field dedication and Wreath Placement

This touching memorial is free to the public. The Healing Field dedication and Wreath Placement Ceremony will be at 1 p.m. on Saturday, May 27th.

**How to take part:** Starting at \$30, individual flags may be sponsored in memory of family or friends honored. Checks should be made payable to the Sons of the American Legion with a note on the memo line of the check indicating Field of Honor. Sponsored flags

can be retained as mementos of this year's Field of Honor which can be then be displayed from home or business.

**For more information:** To find more information or to sponsor a flag online, visit: [www.healingfield.org/cohasset17](http://www.healingfield.org/cohasset17). For details on becoming an event sponsor or to obtain applications for

field flags, please contact the American Legion Post at telephone 781-383-9657 or stop by at the Post at 98 Summer St., anytime weekdays after 3 p.m., on Saturdays after 10 a.m., or on Sundays after 12 p.m.

All proceeds will go to veterans programs of the Sons of the American Legion of Cohasset.

## LETTER

## Well-mannered young people praised

I own a new restaurant in Cohasset, Simply Smith's at One Pleasant and we have been open since January 20th. Before owning this restaurant, I have had several other restaurants in different cities and towns on the South Shore and have been in public service for over 30

years. We were open during both school vacations and I must tell you that the young people in this town that have come into our restaurant have been the most polite and courteous of all young people I have encountered over my history of public service and

restaurants. They are well mannered, respectful and very kind to staff members here. They are quiet, always say thank you and even compliment us on our food. All I can say is the parents of Cohasset are bringing up their children the way I was brought up when I

was young because I have never seen any young people so well behaved in my life.

I want to thank their parents for sending them over and they can come by anytime.

**Jean M. Sullivan**  
Owner, Simply Smith's at One Pleasant

## POLITICAL EVENT

## Norfolk County Republicans to honor volunteers

The Norfolk County Republican Committee will honor the 2017 volunteers from 6 to 9 p.m. April 27 at Lombardo's, 6 Billings St., Randolph.

Keynote speaker for the event will be Paul Crane,

executive director of Mass Fiscal Alliance, with additional guest speakers soon to be announced.

In addition to the award ceremony, the event will feature a dinner buffet, cash bar, silent auction and

entertainment. Every citizen in Norfolk County will be represented, and the committee welcomes any additional guests.

Tickets are \$50 per person or \$45 if reserved before April 20. Mail

checks to NCRP/PAC, P.O. Box 69081, Quincy, MA 02269.

RSVP: Richard.Pilla@gmail.com; <http://NorfolkCountyRepublicans.com>.

## DRY DOCK

# A crash course in crank

It takes a lot to get me mad. And it takes even more to keep me mad. Angry isn't my normal state of mind. But here I am, three days after a car accident in Cohasset still steaming. It wasn't the fact that my beloved, beat-up 2013 wagon got totaled in a head-on crash. Nor that the crash was caused by a young, nervous driver. I'm not mad at her. I'm mad at her dad.

Marathon Monday was a gorgeous sunny day, and I was on my way to buy bulbs and whatnot at the hardware store on 3A. I was feeling good. Trees were leafing out, canary yellow forsythia fronds waving from every yard. I wasn't even talking on my cell phone.

I cruised through my green light at Beechwood Street without a care. Suddenly I noticed a huge white SUV barreling directly at me. Filling my windshield. I thought, no! You have to stop! But it just kept coming and I slammed hard on the breaks. We met in a slow-mo crash, my stubby solid car crumpled under the Range Rover's fender. I was okay. Surprised, since a car accident hadn't been on my morning agenda. But I was all right. The passenger in the white car got out and came



LOUISA KASDON

over to me. A tall man, in day-off flip-flops and shorts explained that his daughter was a new driver. He wanted to know if I was ok and could I get out of the car? My door was crumpled closed but I could scramble out at the other side. Miraculously, the only thing that hurt was my left pinkie finger.

The dad called the police and we looked at each other. And at the cars. It was pretty clear that my car was total loss. He explained again that his daughter was a "new driver." I said I understood and remembered how anxiety provoking it is to teach your kids to drive. But I told him, gently I think, that his daughter needed to get out of the car and speak to me. She "needed to own" the accident. She was the driver, not him. Responsibility is one of those things that comes with a driver's license. Even with a learner's permit.

The guy exploded at me. "You don't get to talk to my

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daughter! Shut up! You don't get to tell me how to talk to my daughter," his finger jabbing at my chest. "Didn't any of your kids ever make a mistake?" I said, Sure. My kids had car scrapes, but nothing quite where the collision brought two cars close enough for real carnage. Two seconds short of my possible death or dismemberment? So what if his kid is traumatized and would need another six months before going for her driver's test? That's not a bad outcome from my point of view.

The police came on site, as did the EMT's, the tow trucks and other helpful people. The girl came over to me and apologized, her eyes on the pavement. I looked at her and said, "Thank you. I know you are sorry and you should be. But driving is a serious business..." I was going to say more but the dad came at I again, bellowing that I had no right to talk to his daughter. Ever!

The poor Cohasset police officer looking almost like a new driver himself, took command and separated us. He ordered the dad and the daughter to one corner, and me to the other. The EMT's came and went. I signed the release. The accident report was taken. The citation was delivered. The tow truck retrieved the cars and the police officer drove me home, my first trip in the back of a police car! And still, I'm upset. I disagree with the protective dad. I understand viscerally where his loyalties lay. But how far do you go to protect your child from shouldering their fair share of responsibility? I dunno. I guess I've become a crank.

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## EDUCATION

## Middle school developing more holistic focus

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If you remember hating middle school, that's probably because you didn't go to middle school – you went to junior high. Big difference.

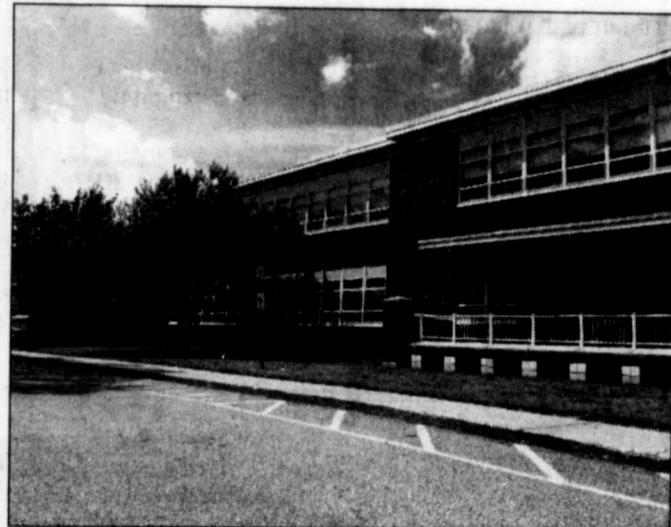
Like many sixth-through eighth-grade schools, Cohasset Middle School is shifting away from just being the precursor to high school and really focusing on being its own thing, tailor-made for students living through those awkward pre-teen years.

"We've been very focused on curriculum and assessment, and that's an important part of schooling and education," said Principal Kerri Sandler. "But I think teachers felt so required to focus on that that they didn't feel like they had time to do anything else."

The transition is difficult for many. They're switching to letter grades and percentage scores. The scheduling and teaming structure is different from Deer Hill. There's an honor roll now, and that can produce a lot of anxiety by pitting students against one another.

An emphasis on the final result (i.e. a score or grade) can discourage kids from trying again after they fail, or from taking a risk – and that's the opposite of what they should be doing at that age.

"Kids need to keep trying things until they master it," said Sandler. But at the same time, "We need to do more celebrating of all things for kids." From grades to sports to art to citizenship and character



Cohasset Middle School is really a distinct world apart from the high school, with its own culture and rhythms. (WICKED LOCAL STAFF PHOTO)

to, yes, fun and silliness, middle school is a time for a holistic approach to learning.

So now, in between classes and homework and standardized tests, students are dancing in the hallways, taking on the teachers at basketball, dressing up for spirit days, and watching "Spirited Away" after school, of their own volition, as part of the language department's foreign language film series.

They're taking on the high-schoolers in the "environmental golf" challenge, a program designed to encourage composting by giving classes points for putting trash or recycling in the compost bins. As in golf, the team with the highest score wins.

Parents may recognize the approach. It bears a striking resemblance to PBIS, the Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports program implemented at the elementary schools to reinforce good behavior rather than punishing bad.

That resemblance is no accident. Sandler deliberately adapted the program to work for older children. Instead of earning a paper fish or a circus ticket for good behavior, students can submit a song of their choice to be played between classes instead of the traditional school bell.

Sandler's not alone in believing that fun, freedom, and meaningful relationships are a huge part of middle school. It's a time for students to express and explore themselves. It's a time to make mistakes and try again, a time to be preppy on Monday and punk on Wednesday and wear school colors with the student-staff basketball game on Friday.

Superintendent Louise Demas agrees, and the middle school has taken a new shape since she assumed the reins. Demas calls herself a "middle school person" and has been eager to take on the middle

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school challenge since her days as Assistant Superintendent, when she and Sandler used to fantasize about the ideas and practices they could introduce.

The spirit days and basketball games encourage teachers to put themselves out there in a way that makes students feel comfortable doing the same. Sandler herself could be seen dressed in neon, wild hair and a tutu for '80s day, while students danced through the halls to '80s music.

Students got to sit down with teachers outside the classroom during student council-sponsored grade-level breakfasts the day before each of this year's vacations. The more relaxed context gave them an opportunity to connect with teachers on a different level.

"The relationship piece is huge in middle school," Sandler said.

"Middle school is our last shot to ignite the love of learning," said Demas. "It's our chance to connect with kids who connect with school, who connect with teachers, who connect with learning, and set them off."

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## COMMENTARY

# Understanding healthcare debate

By Deborah J. Cornwell

This is the first of a four-part series of commentaries on healthcare.

Most people agree that the ability to get and pay for good healthcare services can be life-changing and life-saving. Few topics stress families more, both emotionally and financially, and few cause more shouting in the media, on the internet, or across the political aisle in Washington.

That's made it harder for the public to sort out the real issues.

■ Defining the terms of the debate:

We all seem to agree that healthcare costs are "too high," but the recent "repeal and replace" debate blurred the difference between delivery of health care services and how we pay for those services. While options to reduce insurance costs and increasing efficiency are being explored at both national and state levels across the country, it's important for each voter to understand the differences so we can tell our legislators what we want them to do on our behalf.

Despite Washington gridlock, there are actions we might be able to take in Massachusetts to ensure that our needs are met, no matter what happens nationally. Currently, in our state Legislature, two pairs of initiatives examining health care funding are being considered. The first pair (H. 596 / S. 610) would create a commission to compare three years of actual health care costs in Massachusetts against what those costs would have been if paid through a "single-payer" system like Medicare. If results of that study were to reveal significant potential savings, the Legislature would be required to enact single payer legislation. The second pair (S.619 / H. 2987), would call for public financing for health care services for all Massachusetts residents without requiring such a study.

This is the first of a series of several commentaries to help readers understand and be prepared to guide their state legislators on this topic. First, though, it's important to clarify what insurance really is. Most of us don't think twice about buying insurance for our cars, our homes, and some of our most precious physical belongings. Most of us do that just in case losses occur. Healthcare is different in one critical way: when we get very sick, we usually can't opt to do without care, and virtually no one can afford to pay cash for care the way you might replace a car or a piece of jewelry. Both chronic conditions (like Crohn's disease and autoimmune disorders) and potentially terminal conditions (like cancer and heart disease) can generate unimaginable treatment costs.

Such healthcare costs have for years been the leading cause of personal bankruptcies in this country, even for people who thought they had health insurance. This is because prior to the passage of the Affordable Care Act in 2010, most insurance carriers were legally permitted to choose which medical services they would cover and to limit the total amounts they were willing to pay. Buyers didn't realize what services were or weren't covered,

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and changing insurance carriers once you got a serious diagnosis was often impossible because a new company could legally deny you coverage for having a "pre-existing condition."

■ Two kinds of healthcare costs:

When we complain about "healthcare costs," we are actually lumping together two very different kinds of costs.

The "care" part of healthcare is the delivery of medical services that prevent illness and try to heal us when we get sick. It's provided by a variety of medical professionals – known as "providers" – who are trained in the sciences of how the human body works. They work in a variety of mostly nonprofit hospital, clinic, and laboratory settings. Their primary job is to keep you healthy.

Healthcare insurance is a contract between an individual or employer and an insurance company. The contract determines how much the providers will be paid for what kinds of services. Its terms are designed and managed by people who analyze statistics about what medical costs are likely for people of different ages, genders, races, and locations. Some of the people processing claims have some medical training; yet most of those who set your rates and process your claims are trained in rate-setting and in ensuring that each claim meets the insurer's payment rules before they approve payment. Their job is to follow rules set for paying claims while also supporting large administrative departments and making money for the insurance company.

The health insurance market is highly fragmented. Many companies offer different types of policies with different restrictions about what services they will cover and from what providers. That makes it hard for consumers to compare one company's product and price with another's. Further, care providers have to meet different companies' paperwork requirements, so providers need to hire administrators to submit claims properly. The system is both costly and hard to navigate for both patients and providers.

The second part of this series will address the intent of the Affordable Care Act, including patient protections, and why the public refused to accept key changes that were proposed in March by the Trump administration.

The third column will explain the difference between a competitive "free-market" insurance system (depending on insurance companies with varying terms and pricing) and a single-payer system (like Medicare). The final column will address the bills being considered in Massachusetts and actions you can take to influence legislators' votes.

—Deborah J. Cornwell is a Marshfield Hills resident and author of "Things I Wish I'd Known: Cancer Caregivers Speak Out."



## BRIEFLY

## Assessors conducting property inspections

In accordance with Department of Revenue guidelines, the Assessors are required to re-inspect all properties at least once every nine years. The Cohasset Board of Assessors' Office are performing the necessary inspections throughout town as they prepare for Fiscal Year

2018 recertification by the Department of Revenue. The Assessors will be able to produce proper identification. The Assessors will inspect the property and verify the data on the property record card is up to date and accurate. The entire inspection will take just a few minutes.

If the homeowner or a person over 18 years of age is not at home on the first call, a notice will be left asking the homeowner to call for an appointment. If you would like to arrange an inspection appointment, please feel free to contact our office at (781) 383-4114 X124.

## DOG TALES

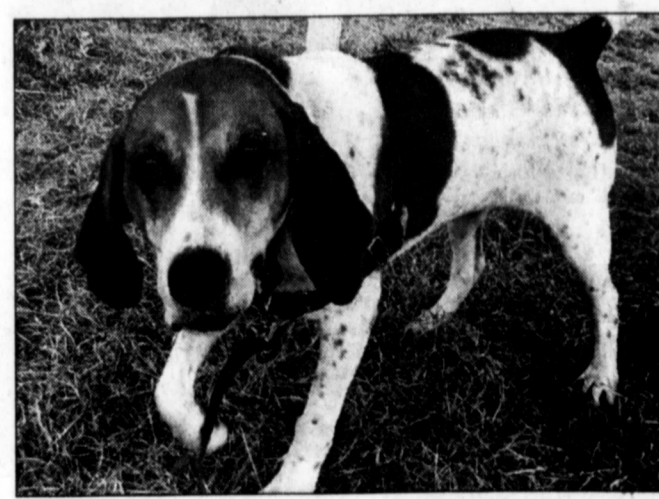
## Knox prides himself on companionship

I really could use a break. I have been bounced around from shelter to shelter lately when all I want more than anything is a home and family to call my own.

My name is Knox and I'm 7 years old, so I guess I am technically a senior dog, but I'm very healthy and fit. I'm a Foxhound mix but people tell me I look like an extra big beagle. But that's OK, right? Beagles are cute.

While we are on the subject of dogs, I am OK with them, but I really would like to be the only dog in the house. And no cats! I am not a fan.

But bring me home, and you won't need any other pets because, honestly, I am a really good companion. I'm very sweet and affectionate, and I enjoy having my back scratched and my ears rubbed, and just hanging



Knox is a friendly guy with a great disposition. He would love to have a forever home soon. [COURTESY PHOTO]

out with you.

What else? I love to walk on leash, and I pride myself that I'm quite good at it. Not too much pulling. What do you say?

If interested, email Ashley at ashleydavis@scituate-animalshelter.org or call 781-544-4533.

—(As told Lisey Good of the Scituate Animal Shelter).

PS. Want to help dogs like Knox? We always need supplies like hip and joint supplements for our senior dogs, and calming chew toys for the more active ones. You can see our up-to-date wish list at the following link: <http://a.co/5KkA2S>

## POLICE

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the entire left side of the Buick.

The driver of the Volvo is a 42-year-old Hingham woman; she had three children in the car.

No one was injured and the cars were drivable. The 17-year-old was cited for following too closely on a state highway. Police think she became distracted and could

not stop in time when the Volvo slowed so attempted to pass on the right.

## MV stop/tow

An officer stopped a 2005 Volvo XC70, operated by a 62-year-old Scituate man, for having expired plates on Saturday (April 15) around 5:42 p.m. on Chief Justice Cushing Highway (3A) near Beechwood Street. The driver was unable to renew online. He was issued a \$105

citation for operating an unregistered motor vehicle and the car was towed.

## Warrant

After receiving notification from the probation department, police arrested Kenneth J. McGrath, 52, of 615 Jerusalem Road, on Sunday (April 16) on a warrant for violation of the terms of his probation, police said.

## COMMENTS

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laws in Massachusetts and think we trampled on the Second Amendment," Quigley said, explaining that firearms have to be secured in Massachusetts. "Whether it is a good law or a bad law, we have to enforce it and act in the best interests of the community."

Robert Stoddard, 65, of 50 Doane St., became the

subject of an investigation last week when police followed up on complaints about his behavior and on a report from a credible source about unsecured firearms strewn about the house.

While executing a search warrant, police removed about 100 unsecured weapons including shotguns, rifles and pistols. A Navy unit out of Newport, R.I. took custody of five military-grade ordnance

shells also found in the home. Police also found grave markers in the home allegedly taken from the cemetery across the street.

All the weapons were checked by the police department's armorer, a weapons expert, before being taken to the police station for safekeeping. Cohasset police filed charges in Quincy District Court on Tuesday (April 18) against Stoddard for desecrating a

grave (3-counts), receiving stolen property (5-counts), improper storage of a handgun (3-counts), and possession of a firearm with obliterated serial numbers. Stoddard will be in court on May 3 to answer to the charges. Agents from the Federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms are assisting Cohasset Police Detectives with this case. Police are now working to identify family

members of the service-men, firefighter, and police officer, whose graves were impacted by these alleged thefts.

Quigley said they are talking with a Stoddard family member, who does not live in Cohasset, to see if the guns can be returned to the family otherwise they will be sent to a bonded warehouse for storage that charges a fee that can exceed the value of the weapon.

Police revoked Stoddard's license to possess firearms last week based upon the unsecured weapons and complaints about his behavior that included being seen relieving himself outside his home on his property.

The Cohasset Police Facebook press release on the incident continued to "go viral" and is no longer available on the site due to the vitriolic response that has exceeded some threats to officers, Quigley said.

## Beacon Hill Roll Call

By Bob Katzen

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### THE HOUSE AND SENATE: There were no roll calls in the House or Senate last week.

As the first order of business back in January, the Legislature approved an \$18 million pay raise package including hiking the salaries of the two leaders who filed the bill, House Speaker Robert DeLoe (D-Winthrop) and Senate President Stan Rosenberg (D-Amherst), by \$45,000 from \$97,547 to \$142,547. The measure also hikes the pay of the Legislature's two Republican leaders, Sen. Bruce Fair (R-Gloucester) and Rep. Bradley Jones (R-North Reading) by \$97,500 from \$85,047 to \$122,547. Another provision raises the salaries of the governor and the other six constitutional officers by hikes ranging from \$30,048 to \$47,083; and hikes the pay of the state judges and court clerks by \$25,000.

The only part of the package that applies to all 200 legislators increased the annual general expense allowance for each member from \$7,200 to \$15,000 for members whose districts are within a 50-mile radius of the Statehouse and to \$20,000 for districts located outside of that radius. Prior to this increase, the most recent increase in the general expense allowance was a hike from \$3,600 to \$7,200 in 2000.

According to the state treasurer's office, the mileage from a legislator's home to the Statehouse is calculated "using the standard of quickest route (time to destination)."

The expense allowance is used at the discretion of individual legislators to support a variety of costs including the renting of a district office, contributions to local civic groups and the printing and mailing of newsletters. Legislators are issued a 1099 from the state and are required to report the allowance as income but are not required to submit an accounting of how they spend it.

Beacon Hill Roll Call has obtained the list of how much each senator and representative is receiving as an expense allowance under this new system.

When each legislator received a flat \$7,200 under the old system, the total spent was \$1,440,000. Under this new system, the total spent will be \$3,740,052. That's an increase of \$1,740,052.

Nine legislators decided against taking the raise and are still collecting only the original \$7,200. Another 136 elected for and are receiving the raise from \$7,200 to \$15,000 while 53 legislators are receiving \$20,000 because they said they live more than 50 miles from the Statehouse. One legislator decided to take \$9,252. Another decided not to take an expense allowance.

The package also put an end to legislators collecting per diems which are travel, meals and lodging reimbursements collected by the legislators. The amount of the per diem varies and was based on the city or town in which a legislator resides and its distance from the Statehouse. In 2016, 103 or more than one-half of the state's 200 legislators were paid per diems totaling \$278,501.

Under current federal law, the same 53 legislators who live more than 50 miles from the Statehouse are eligible for a special federal tax break that has been criticized for years. A 1981 federal law allows them to write off a daily expense allowance when filing their federal income tax return. The complicated system determines a daily amount, ostensibly for meals, lodging and other expenses incurred in the course of their jobs, which can be deducted for every legislative day.

Under the Massachusetts Legislature's system and schedule, every day of the year qualifies as a legislative day. The Legislature does not formally "proceed" (end an annual session) until the next annual session begins. This allows these legislators to take life deduction for all 365 days regardless of whether the Legislature is meeting or not. Legislators do not even have to travel to the Statehouse to qualify for the daily deduction.

The amount of the deduction is based on the federal per diem for Massachusetts. It varies from year to year. The daily per diem for legislators for 2016 varied in different parts of the state and is seasonal. It ranges from \$162 per day to \$366 per day or between \$59,380 and \$133,590 annually.

The 53 legislators who took the \$20,000 state expense allowance are eligible for this federal deduction because they said they live more than 50 miles from the Statehouse. Each legislator who takes advantage of this deduction will have paid, and continue to pay, little or no federal income tax on their legislative salaries for many years.

HOW MUCH EACH LOCAL LEGISLATOR WILL RECEIVE IN EXPENSE ALLOWANCE

Here is the amount of an expense allowance each legislator will receive annually.

Rep. Bruce Ayers \$15,000

Rep. Thomas Carter \$15,000

Rep. James Cartwell \$15,000

Rep. Mark Cusack \$15,000

Rep. Josh Cutler \$15,000

Rep. David DeCoste \$15,000

Rep. Angelo DiEmilia \$7,900

Rep. Geoff Diethelm \$15,000

Rep. Michelle Dubois \$15,000

Rep. William Galvin \$15,000

Rep. Susan Gifford \$20,000

Rep. Patricia Haddad \$20,000  
Rep. Randy Hunt \$20,000  
Rep. Louis Lusk \$15,000  
Rep. Ronald Mariano \$15,000  
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Rep. Joan Meschino \$15,000  
Rep. Matthew Muratore \$20,000  
Rep. James Murphy \$15,000  
Rep. William Struss \$20,000  
Sen. Michael Brady \$15,000  
Sen. Vinny deMacedo \$7,900  
Sen. John Keenan \$15,000  
Sen. Mark Montoya \$15,000  
Sen. Patrick O'Connor \$7,200  
Sen. Marc Pacheco \$15,000  
Sen. Michael Rodrigues \$15,000  
Sen. Walter Timilty \$15,000

## ALSO UP ON BEACON HILL

NEW STATE SEAL AND MOTTO (H 2873) - The State Administration and Regulatory Oversight Committee's public hearing included a proposal creating a special commission to examine the state seal and motto including those parts of it which have been controversial or misunderstood. The commission would develop a revised version of the seal which currently includes a Native American holding a bow in one hand, an arrow in the other hand and a disembodied arm holding a sword above him. The motto is "By the sword we seek peace, but only under liberty." The commission would determine "whether the seal and motto accurately reflect and embody the historic and contemporary commitments of the Commonwealth to peace, justice, liberty and equality, and to spreading the opportunities and advantages of education."

Supporters of revision said the current seal is politically insensitive and the bow and arrow depict violence. "I sincerely request that you consider our shared history and be cognizant of the emotional accuracy of the symbolism that the seal in part portrays," said John Peters, executive director of the Commission on Indian Affairs and a descendant of the Indians who met the Pilgrims in 1620.

Wompatucket Wampatuck, chief of the tribal council of the Mattakeeset Tribe, said the sword-wielding arm is that of Captain Miles Standish, a pilgrim whose army killed many Native Americans in the 1600s. He testified that this antiquated image portrays Indians in a "surrender state."

No one testified against the bill but in the past supporters of the current seal have said that it is a sacred symbol. They argue that the depiction is appropriate and note that arrow is pointing downward which is known as a Native American symbol signifying peace.

FLAGS AT HALF-MAST - Other legislation on the Committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight's agenda included requiring that flags be flown at half-staff each September 11 in honor of the brave Americans who perished in the terrorist attack (S 1820); and flown from the day of death until the day of the funeral of any police officer, firefighter or other public safety employee killed in the line of duty (S 1817).

PROTECT TROPICAL RAIN FORESTS (H 708) - Another proposal on the Committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight's agenda would prohibit the state from purchasing wood grown in a tropical rain forest or products made up substantially of wood grown in a tropical rain forest except when a public necessity exists and no other alternative is available.

IMPOSE SALES TAX ON ITEMS BOUGHT ONLINE (H 1524) - The Revenue Committee held a public hearing on several bills including the controversial one that would require the state to prepare to collect the state's 6.25 percent sales taxes on all items purchased online if and when the federal government authorizes states to mandate that Internet sellers collect sales taxes. The committee last year recommended approval of the same bill but it was sent to a study committee where it died.

Federal law currently only requires the sales tax to be collected by sellers who have a physical presence like a store or warehouse in the state. Amazon has had a presence in the Bay State since 2013 when it started Massachusetts residents the sales tax for its online sales.

Supporters of the tax say brick-and-mortar retailers in the state are losing millions of dollars in annual sales and the state is missing out on millions in tax revenue. They note many consumers are using brick-and-mortar retail stores as a showroom to look at items and then buy them on the Internet to get a lower price and save the sales tax.

Opponents say this is simply an unwarranted tax hike that will cost consumers millions of dollars. They note it would also discourage other online retailers from bringing a facility and jobs to Massachusetts.

### GROUP THAT IS MONITORING TRUMP HOLDS FIRST MEETING

The 9-member Trump Administration Working Group that will provide guidance on how the Legislature should respond to the actions of the Trump Administration and help find possible legislative responses and solutions had its first meeting last week. The group, created by House Speaker Bob DeLoe (D-Winthrop), has a mission to determine the local consequences of Trump's actions with the focus on economic stability, health care, higher education and the state's most vulnerable residents. All nine members of the group are Democratic legislators. The group is co-chaired by Reps. Patricia Haddad (D-Somerset) and Ronald Mariano (D-Quincy).

At its first meeting, the group said it will be pushing hard for a bill that prohibits Bay State sheriffs from sending Massachusetts inmates out of state to help build President Donald Trump's U.S.-Mexico border wall. Refusing to Sheriff Thomas Hodgson has said for several months that he would like inmates from the Bristol County House of Correction to go down south and assist in the construction.

The group also plans to push for another bill that would prohibit state money being used to train local law enforcement or correction officers in immigration law.

FORFEIT PENSION IF CONVICTED OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY (H 22) - The Public Service Committee held a hearing on a bill that would take the pension away from any teacher who is convicted of possession of child pornography. The bill was filed in response to a Supreme Judicial Court ruling that while this crime may be a sufficient reason for firing a teacher, it is not sufficient to warrant revocation of the teacher's pension.

Current law provides that any public employee convicted of a crime "involving violation of the laws applicable to his office or position" forfeits his or her retirement allowance, and is entitled only to a return of his or her contributions without interest. The court, applying that current law, said that a conviction for the private possession of child pornography did not sufficiently "involve" the position of teacher to justify the teacher forfeiting the retirement allowance.

Supporters say that this loophole must be closed in order to assure that justice is done.

Opponents said the bill goes too far and wipes out a pension that the teacher has been funding for years.

HANDS-FREE PHONES ONLY (S 1908) - The Transportation Committee held a public hearing on a bill that would ban the use of hand-held cell phones for all drivers but allow them to use a hands-free cell phone with voice-activated dialing.

Supporters said that it is dangerous to dial and talk on the phone while driving. They argued that the bill would save lives, prevent serious injuries and make the roads safer for everyone.

Amendment opponents said that the amendment goes too far and is unnecessary government intrusion into people's cars and rights. They noted that there are already many existing laws that prohibit all types of distracted driving.

RESTRICT IDLING CARS AND BUSES (S 1950) - Also on the Transportation Committee's agenda was a bill that reduces from five minutes to three minutes the time drivers are allowed to idle their engines. Violators will be punished by a fine of up to \$100 for the first offense and \$500 for each additional offense.

Supporters say that idling an engine for only fifteen seconds uses more fuel than turning the engine off and restarting it. They argue that idling also increases maintenance costs because it leaves fuel residue that clogs fuel injectors. They note that the proposal would save millions of dollars in fuel costs for individuals and cities and town and would help protect the environment.

Opponents say that the bill goes too far. They argue that the current five-minute ban on idling at vehicles is sufficient and questioned the need to approve a new law and to set up another layer of bureaucracy.

HOW LONG WAS LAST WEEK'S SESSION? Beacon Hill Roll Call tracks the length of time that the House and Senate were in session each week. Many legislators say that legislative sessions are only one aspect of the Legislature's job and that a lot of important work is done outside of the House and Senate chambers. They note that their jobs also involve committee work, research, constituent work and other matters that are important to their districts. Critics say that the Legislature does not meet regularly or long enough to debate and vote in public view on the thousands of pieces of legislation that have been filed. They note that the infrequency and brief length of sessions are misguided and lead to irresponsible late night sessions and a mad rush to act on dozens of bills in the days immediately preceding the end of an annual session.

During the week of April 10-14, the House met for a total of 22 minutes and the Senate met for a total of one hour and 22 minutes.

## UPDATE



Citizens for Cohasset's Future, the group that presented the land alteration bylaw and several other citizens' petitions, uses this photo from fall 2016 as an example of the future Cohasset they want to avoid. [COURTESY PHOTO]

## Digging into earth removal bylaw

By Amanda C. Thompson  
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Dozens made an appearance at Planning Board last Wednesday, April 12 to support the earth removal bylaw proposed in the Annual Town Meeting Warrant. Proponents of the citizens' petition left happy after the Planning Board voted 3-1 to recommend it.

The article restricts the amount of ledge or earth that can be removed from a residential construction site before triggering the need for a special permit. It doesn't prevent developers from removing more material; it just requires them to make their case to the board if that's what they want to do.

"It's a fair balance between individual homeowner-landowner rights and the rights of the citizens of Cohasset," Chairman Clark Brewer said.

The article was submitted by Citizens for Cohasset's Future with the goal of preventing wholesale destruction of the town's scenic properties.

Other articles proposed by the group had the same goal in mind. They pitched a scenic road bylaw, proportional home sizing relative to the lot, and modifications to the large home review process to give it a little more structure and specificity.

The earth removal bylaw underwent a few rounds of vetting and revision before garnering the board's support. The board previously had the opportunity to

adopt the article as their own but voted not to do so, feeling that the restrictions were too stringent and that the article needed more work.

The "nay" vote came from board member Brian Frazier, who thought that the trigger was still too low.

"Does anybody who brought this before us know how big 10 cubic yards is or how quickly you take it out?" said Frazier. "It's nothing. It's a real hair trigger."

Frazier also felt that a 5 percent grade change (about two feet) was too small a modification to merit review by Town officials. That much of a change might be required to build a garden wall or a patio.

Though the rest of the board agreed that the proposed bylaw wasn't perfect, they did feel that it was a good place to start, and that it would become clear which adjustments needed to be made once they started trying to apply it.

"This is a big change from what exists now and that makes me leery about it," said board member Michael Dickey. "But when a real-world example comes before us and the language in the bylaw doesn't fit the issue, we can adjust the language and take it back to Town Meeting - that's what we did with 8 James Lane."

Following a misunderstanding by the developer of the townhomes at 8 James Lane, the board had to revisit how floor area should be calculated and capped in the village district and how that should

"It's a fair balance between individual homeowner-landowner rights and the rights of the citizens of Cohasset."

Clark Brewer, Planning Board

be enumerated in the bylaws. Voters approved the changes at Town Meeting.

The process worked then, and the board was confident it would work again. Even Frazier, who voted not to recommend the bylaw, believed that a common-sense way of applying the new rules would work itself out following a reasonable standard.

"The amended language has evolved over several months," said Chairman Brewer. "I agree that it's maybe a leap of faith in terms of how it's all going to work. The first one, we'll have to learn a lot very quickly."

Member David Drinan moved to recommend the citizens' petition as amended with a second from Michael Dickey.

Previously, the earth removal bylaw enjoyed the full support of the Conservation Commission in a vote of 6-0 in favor. Advisory Committee and selectmen will weigh in next, with voters making the final decision at Annual Town Meeting May 1.

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## HOUSING

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Cohasset's inclusionary zoning bylaw, proposed in the Annual Town Meeting Warrant, would keep the town on target for providing enough housing at a variety of prices to meet the needs of diverse residents.

The amendment would require an Affordable Housing component in all new projects of more than five living units, including developments of single-family homes, not just apartments and condos (as the bylaw currently requires).

With this regulation in place, the new Toll Brothers development would have had to include four Affordable units, or else pay a fee in lieu of including that component, which would go into the Affordable Housing Trust to fund new affordable developments.

The amendment also closes a loop that exempts developments in the village from including an Affordable component.

"The Village is where Affordable Housing should exist," said Diane Danielson, chairwoman of the Affordable Housing Steering Committee.

The committee issued a statement last week announcing their support for the amendment, with some minor changes to "give it more teeth," said Danielson.

"We made some small clarifications to the language so there's no wiggle room," said Danielson. "Either they build the units or pay in to the Trust. There's no third option."

In 2020, Massachusetts towns will be asked to provide a census of year-round dwellings in order to determine if their inventory includes 10 percent Affordable Housing. By meeting this standard, a city or

## What this means:

■ **The issue:** Cohasset needs to meet Massachusetts Affordable Housing requirements by including 10 percent affordable housing stock within the town, while also meeting the needs of its residents and protecting the character of the town.

■ **Why it matters:** In towns that don't meet the 10 percent requirement, developers can get permission to create developments that don't fit with the character of the town but which bring it into compliance with the standard. Many Cohasset residents are concerned that "Affordable Housing" means building "another Avalon," and if the town doesn't keep up with the state's requirements, that could happen. But as long as the Town stays on top of creating its own affordable units in keeping with the size and character of the town, the power to make those decisions will remain in the hands of local, rather than state, officials.

town can keep all zoning decisions and approvals within their own local regulations and bylaws.

But fall below that 10 percent and a developer can appeal to the Massachusetts Zoning Board of Appeals. With their approval, developers whose projects would add affordable units to the town's housing stock can more or less build whatever they want, even if it doesn't fit the character of the town.

Danielson said that the amendment is "definitely necessary for us to stay on track and maintain control over future development in Cohasset."

At the last census, Cohasset met the 10 percent, surpassing most of its neighbors and similar socio-economic towns in the Commonwealth. However, with the rate of new development, an increase in accessory dwellings, and the potential for lots to become available in the next three years, it is the steering committee's concern that the town could fall below the minimum.

According to the committee, this inclusionary zoning amendment will be a step towards preventing that from happening by encouraging the development of affordable housing within any new multifamily development, or in the alternative, establishing a

contribution to the Cohasset Affordable Housing Trust.

The Cohasset Affordable Housing Trust will be the vehicle through which the town can purchase properties and assist in the development of moderate housing at a scale that is in keeping with the size and character of Cohasset.

The recently-established trust does not yet have any funds in it, according to the Town's Director of Finance. "It's not controversial," said Danielson. "We have the same language in other zones of our town, but years ago the town center was exempted - likely to spur development. We feel that any good developer would take this into consideration."

The committee's mission is to assist in the development of Cohasset policy that keeps the town in compliance with state affordable housing laws, policies and regulations, while also maintaining and meeting housing needs for all residents.

Policies are crafted to protect the town from developments that would not otherwise be approved, as they are not in keeping with the character of Cohasset.

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## SHOPS

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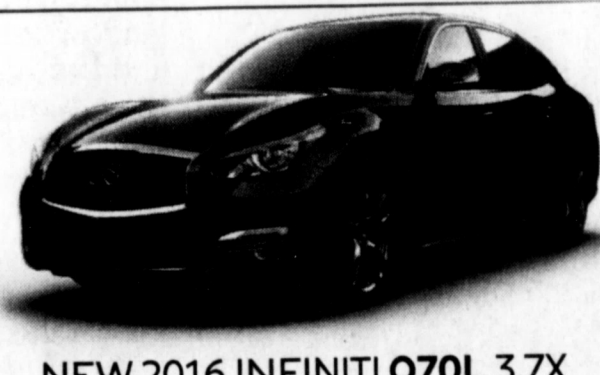
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### BASEBALL

#### Cohasset American Legion

Cohasset American Legion Post 118 will hold tryouts April 30 at 3 p.m. at Scituate High School. All who plan to play must attend. Junior and Senior League will both be one tryout Call Scott Arnold @ 781-985-1896 for any questions

### BASEBALL

#### Spring Tune-up Camp

The Cohasset varsity baseball team will hold a Spring Tune-up Camp Wednesday May 10, an early release day, from 2:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. at Barnes Baseball Complex. The camp is open to boys and girls grades 1-6 with registration beginning at 2 p.m. The cost is \$35 with all funds supporting the CHS baseball program. Boys and girls will be organized into groups by grade and rotate to different stations, including calisthenics/stretching, warm up throwing, infield and outfield drills, batting practice, base running instruction and more. Space is limited. For more information or to reserve a spot, email Roberta Kierce at rkierce@yahoo.com with name and grade of your child. Please bring a labeled glove to the clinic.

### SCICOH YOUTH FOOTBALL/CHEERLEADING

#### Register now for the 2017 season

Registration is open for Scituate/Cohasset Youth Football & Cheerleading. Visit Scicohfootball.com to register and for more information SciCoh Youth Football & Cheerleading provides a safe environment for the emotional and physical development of all participants, while encouraging the ideals of teamwork, commitment, sportsmanship, healthy competition, and fun. Don't miss your chance to be a part of our amazing program as it celebrates its 25th season. Football Minimum age must be age 7 by Sept. 1, 2017 Maximum age: cannot turn age 15 prior to Nov. 15, 2017 Early registration March 20 - April 15 \$275 Regular registration April 16 - June 15 \$325 Late registration June 16 - August 10 \$375 Refund policy: Prior to August 10 100 percent (less \$50 processing fee) No

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### BASEBALL

## Tough education for young team

Cohasset baseball learning on the fly

By Mark Ducharme  
Correspondent

Cohasset baseball coach Mike Larsen calls it a tough

education, but he feels that his team will handle it quite well this season from what he has seen.

The Skippers graduated heavily from their starting lineup last year and have a lot of young players that are

stepping in and they have handled themselves very well in their varsity careers so far.

"We are a very young team and we will have some growing pains this year," Larsen said. "We graduated

seven players from last year and most of them started at one time or another last year. We do have strength up the middle and our senior captains have been good leaders for us."

The Skippers broke into

the win column in their third game of the season because of one of their captains in an impressive way.

Michael Cohen scattered six hits and struck out eight

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### GIRLS LACROSSE

## Vacation Fun

Laxwomen rout Winchester and Hingham

By William Wassersug  
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The Cohasset girls lacrosse team has had a solid vacation week, with a pair of victories Tuesday and Wednesday April 18 and 19.

In fact, the team's play was strong enough to earn them a bit of a vacation. "I'm giving them off until Sunday," Cohasset coach Kully Reardon said after a 20-8 win over Winchester Wednesday afternoon. "Then we have a few tough games coming up."

Reardon was pleased with her team's play against Winchester, especially their intensity.

"I think they played well and they played consistently for 30 minutes, both halves," Reardon said. "They're a good team. They're super athletic. They always have been. Winchester came out hard. From last year it was a similar score so they were out for some vengeance. Our defense played really consistently and really hard and Jane (goalie Jane Cavanaro) came up with some really good saves early. That set the tone. This was one of our best games so far."

While the final was 20-8, Cohasset led 16-4 at the half and played a more restrained game in the second half, passing

instead of taking easy shots that could have run the score up.

Elle Hansen led the Skipper attack with seven goals and five assists and Julia Placek and Jane Hansen each had four goals. Jane Hansen added five assists as well.

Maddie Donovan, Olivia Coveney, Molly Greer and Elise Wimberly also scored single goals for Cohasset and Donovan also had an assist.

Reardon said for her squad, the midfield is the key to success, and so far it has worked well.

"Our midfield sets the tone for the pace of the game," Reardon said when asked about stand-out players the past few games. "So Elle and Jane and Molly Greer. Molly is a freshman who has done exceptionally well."

Reardon also credited attacker Julia Placek for playing very well.

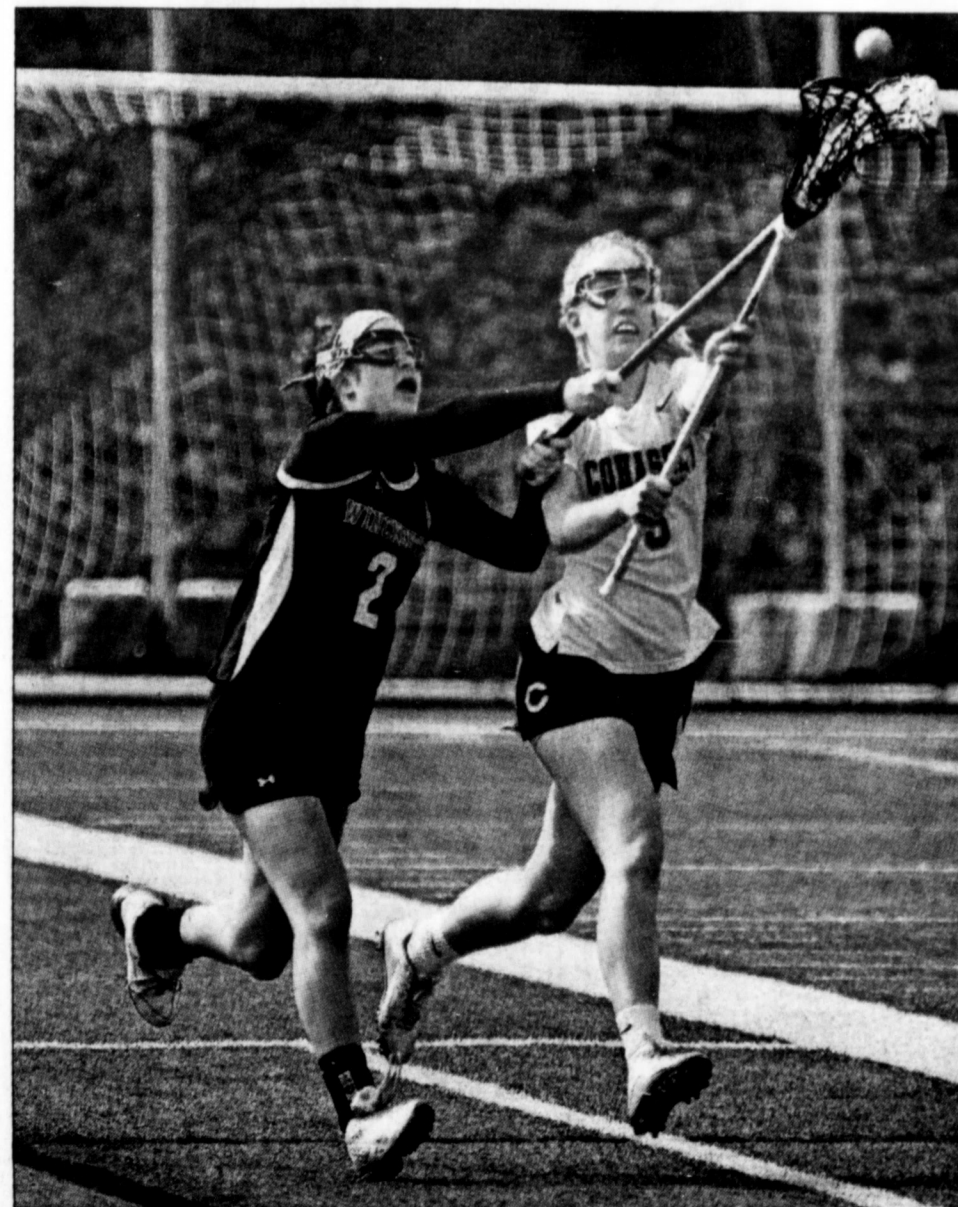
Cavanaro finished with two saves and Jenny Wolfe had three saves for Cohasset in the win.

In the team's previous game, the Skippers beat Hingham 22-10.

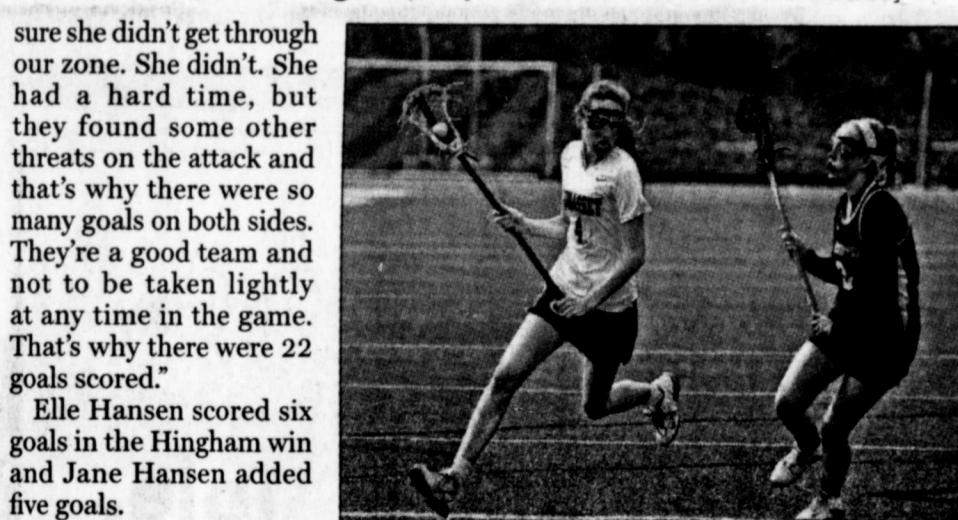
"The score didn't define what the game was about," Reardon said. "They're a really good team with an incredible group of seniors, one being Ally Landry, who is going to be playing for Duke."

In a win over Scituate last week, Landry scored seven goals.

"She's scary," Reardon said. "We held her to two goals. That was our game plan. We needed to make



Cohasset's Zoe Doherty fights for the ball during Wednesday's 20-8 win over Winchester at Cohasset High School. [WICKED LOCAL PHOTO/ WILLIAM WASSERSUG]



Cohasset's Elise Wimberly looks for an opening against Winchester April 19 at Cohasset High School. Cohasset won 20-8. [WICKED LOCAL PHOTO/ WILLIAM WASSERSUG]

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### BOYS LACROSSE

## Cohasset facing the best

Skippers downed at by Pinkerton Academy

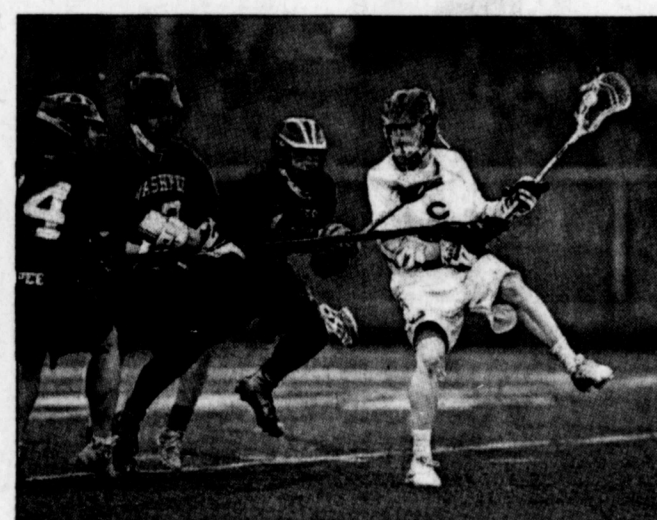
By Shaun Galvin

Nobody can accuse the Cohasset boys lacrosse team of ducking top competition, and in fact, they relish the challenge of taking on the best.

So far that has led to a 3-2 record, including a big win over Catholic Memorial.

Most recently, the Skippers went on a long road trip to New Hampshire Saturday April 15.

The Skippers traveled to Derry New Hampshire and



Cohasset's Gray Thomas battles during a 16-3 win over Mashpee April 12. Thomas had a hat trick in the win. [COURTESY PHOTO/DAN LEAHY]

lost to Pinkerton Academy overall and 2-0 in South 19-10.

Cohasset is now 3-2

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### LACROSSE

## Wicked Local Fab 4 rankings

Will Thomas a player of the week

By Chris McDaniel  
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April vacation is filled with mar-quee games in competitive tournaments. This is the week where the elite teams start to separate from the rest of the pack.

On the boys' side, Hingham is a cut above everyone else. Cohasset and Hanover are battling through difficult

schedules while teams like Scituate, Norwell, Marshfield and Abington are starting to see where their ceilings are.

Plenty of teams on the girls' side are off to surprising starts. Silver Lake jumps into the rankings for the first time thanks to a hot start on the defensive end. Abington and Plymouth South have both started 3-1 and look primed to earn tournament bids.

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## YOUTH SOCCER

## Boys U-12 opens season

Team hosts Hingham in opener

The Cohasset Mariner

April 15, the Cohasset Boys U-12 Travel Soccer Team opened their spring season by hosting a tough Hingham Squad on Alumni Field.

A tightly contested first half in very windy conditions resulted in no goals as each team missed a penalty kick.

The second half saw equally close play but Hingham broke the scoreless tie with a blast from the left side of the six yard box ten minutes into the half.

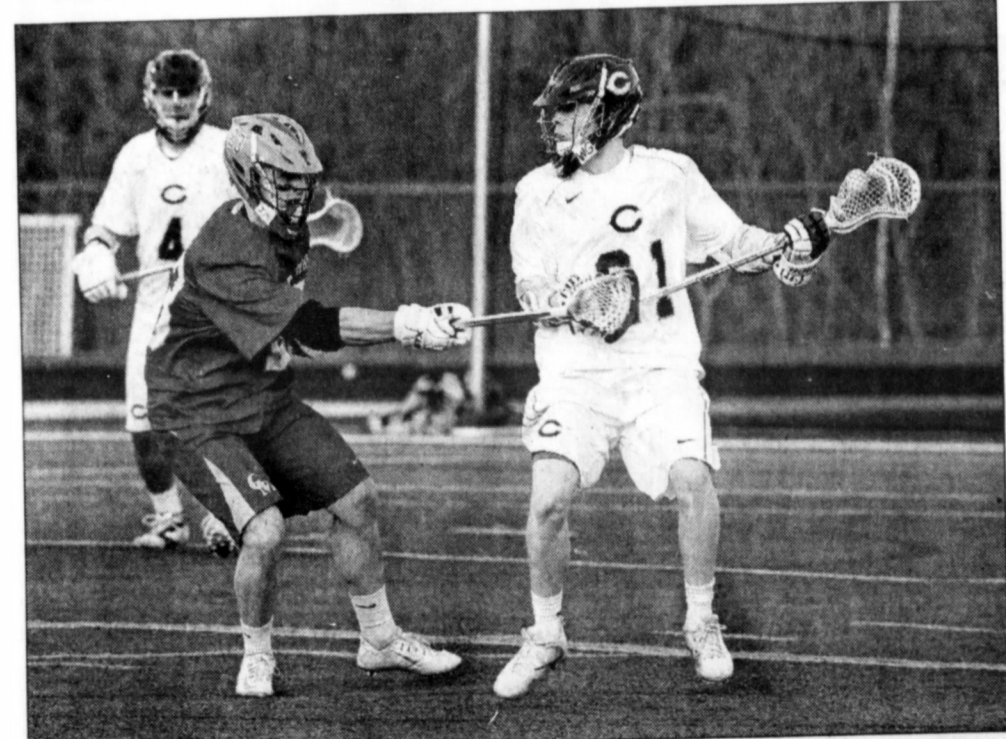
Cohasset ferociously battled back with strong play from wingers Matthew Badia and newcomer to town, Andrew Thompson.

With only eight minutes left in the match, JJ Campbell drew Cohasset even after he drilled a PK into the upper left corner

of the goal. Goalie AJ Pavona saved the draw for Cohasset with an amazing left handed save with very little time on the clock.

The boys take on a very good Marshfield Team next Saturday at 8:10 a.m. on Alumni Field.

The team plays in the Coastal Soccer League against other towns around the South Shore. This spring, they will play nine matches starting in April through June 10.



Cohasset's Gray Thomas works the ball against Catholic Memorial. The Skippers won the game 14-13. [COURTESY PHOTO/DAN LEAHY]

## COHASSET

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Shore League play. The Skippers will play

Ipswich in the Weston tournament on Thursday April 20 in a 1 p.m. start and will play either Weston Or Grafton on Saturday April 22.

The Skippers will have back to back road games at Barnstable on Monday April 24 in a 6 p.m. start and at East Bridgewater on Tuesday April 25 in a 4 p.m. start.

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### EXPLORE MULTIPLE PLATFORMS WHEN FINALIZING YOUR SUMMER CAMP SEARCH

By Bette Bussell, Executive Director, American Camp Association, New England

Explore the fit between a child's needs and interests and what each program offers by reviewing individual camp descriptions and comprehensively across multiple platforms with your family's decision-making partners in mind.

Look at everything camps share and publish! Talk to as many camp reps and parent and staff references as possible. Look for patterns and listen for things the camp touts in its materials that camper families confirm and find to be true.

Websites are a primary marketing vehicle for camps. Reviewing them initially gives a chance to get familiar with camp photography, to download brochures and camp paperwork, to read blogs, and to view or request videos. Some sites offer virtual tours, while others answer questions via FAQ or live chat. Print and electronic marketing pieces, such

as photos of happy campers, links to meaningful articles, stories of how staff run and support the camp experience, and unique things, like traditions. You'll be in a position of posing better questions to camp reps about the potential fit of the camp for your child. Inconsistencies between the website and social media create an opportunity to ask questions.

Comparing a camp's messages across various platforms turns up interesting results. A tweeted article with a quote from a parenting expert might echo the camp's philosophy. Parent com-

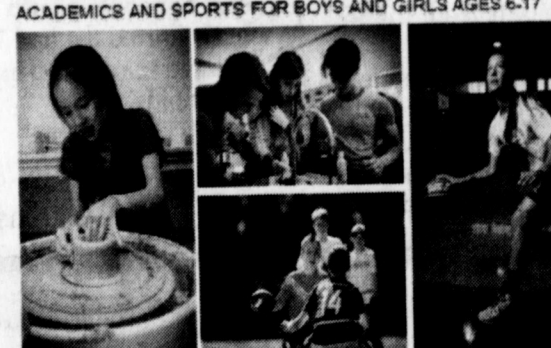
ments on a post may validate what you already heard from a reference. A cross-platform approach to exploring finalist camps is sure to validate information you already have and reveal details that will inform your search.

The American Camp Association, New England—the region's hub for all things summer camp—supports camp experiences, educates camp professionals & staff, consults on camp best practices and advocates for camp quality. For additional camp information and resources in CT, MA, ME, NH, RI & VT, visit [www.ancanewengland.org](http://www.ancanewengland.org) or call (781) 541-6080.

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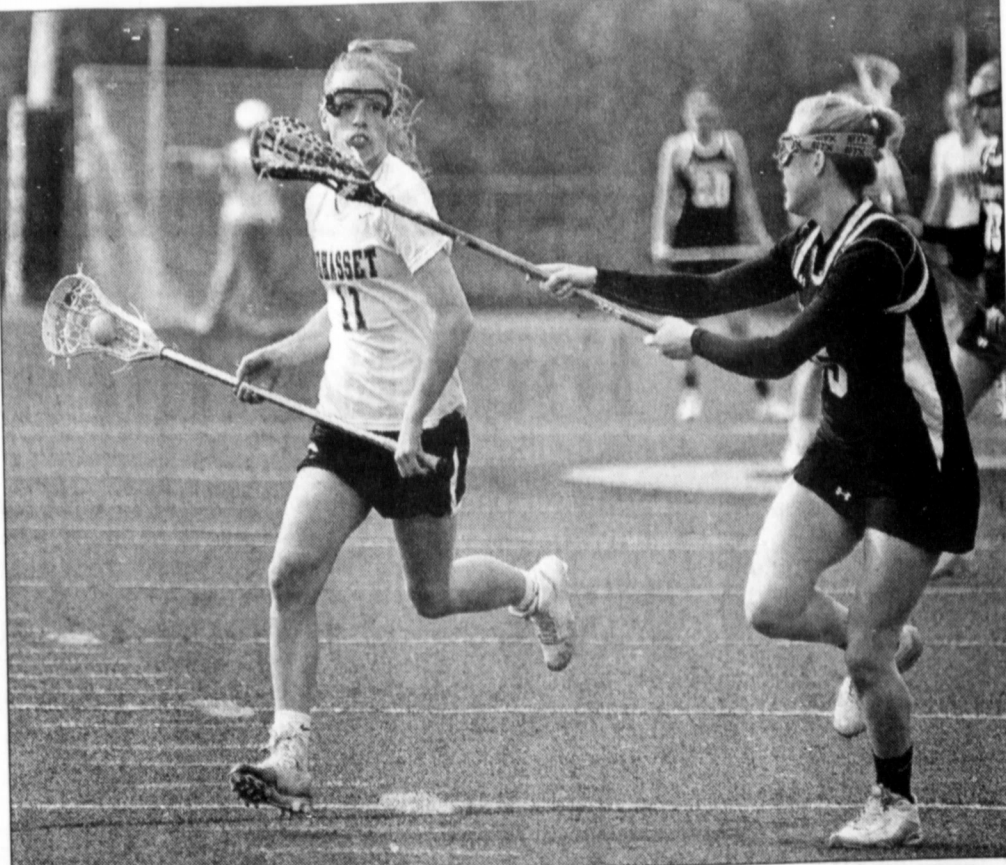
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Cohasset's Elle Hansen looks for the pass against Winchester Wednesday April 19. [WICKED LOCAL PHOTO/WILLIAM WASSERSUG]

## FUN

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trick and Placek had two goals.

Scoring single goals were Donovan and Lauren Farrer.

Zoe Doherty, Lauren

Cunning, Aiden Chamberlain and Megan McElgunn played well on defense.

Monday April 24 Cohasset travels to Foxboro to face the Lady Warriors in a 4 p.m. start.

The girls will then host the Lady Vikings of East Bridgewater on Tuesday

April 25 in a 4 p.m. start. Friday April 28 is the big South Shore League matchup between Cohasset and Norwell in a 5:30 p.m. start at Alumni Field.

Shaun Galvin contributed to this report

## RANKINGS

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## Boys

**1 Hingham (4-0, 1)** – The Harbormen picked up

marquee wins over Scituate (16-5) and Simsbury.

Connecticut (11-7) last week.

Hingham has won all four of its games by at least four goals.

So far, the Harbormen have been by far the best team in the area. I expect the Harbormen to own this spot for the entirety of the year.

**2 Cohasset (3-2, 3)** – The Skippers had a comeback win against Catholic Memorial on April 10 but

closed the week by falling to Pinkerton Academy in New Hampshire on Saturday.

**3 Scituate (3-1, 4)** – The Sailors had a setback with a 16-5 loss to Hingham, but Scituate still looks one of the top teams in Division 2 South.

**4 Norwell (2-1, NR)** – Norwell's lone loss was a one-goal defeat against undefeated Hamilton-Wenham. The Clippers will know more about where they stand this season after playing in the Chowda Cup.

**On the bubble:** Marshfield (3-2), Abington (3-1)

**Players of the week**

**Will Thomas, Jr., Cohasset:** Thomas scored five goals in the Skippers' 14-13 win over Catholic Memorial on April 10.

**Dave Theodore, Sr., Scituate:** The Sailors' goalie stopped 15 shots in a 12-6 win over Canton on April 10.

Against Plymouth South on April 11, Theodore recorded a shutout with 10 saves.

**Declan Tierney, Sr., Plymouth North:** Tierney exploded for eight goals in North's 18-5 win against Pembroke on April 11.

**Game of the week**

**Rockland at Abington.** Tuesday, April 25 at 6:30 p.m. – The Bulldogs and Green Wave will meet under the lights following the girls game at 5 p.m. The rivals are jockeying for position in the South Shore League.

**Notes**

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refunds after August 10

Cheerleading Open to grades 2-8 (Sept 2017) Early registration March 20 - April 15 \$150 Regular registration April 16 - May 15 \$200 Late registration May 16 - June 30 \$250 Competition fee (if participating) \$150 Refund policy: Prior to June 30 100% (less \$50 processing fee) No refunds after June 30

**GOLF SCHOLARSHIP**

**Tee Club essay**

The Tee Club, a local women's golf club, is accepting applications from young women between the ages of 12 and 18 for up to a \$500 scholarship to help defray

the cost of golf lessons, golf clinics, or the golf school of their choice. Interested females should write an essay discussing how golf has influenced their life, how they would use the scholarship money to improve their golf game, how they were introduced to the game and their hopes for improving their game this season. Essays should be limited to 2 pages and must include contact information, including age and email address, as well as the name of the facility or golf professional you have chosen to work with. Please send essays to: The Tee Club, 31 Elmore Road, Hingham, MA 02043 by May 15. Email: [glass1118@gmail.com](mailto:glass1118@gmail.com) with any questions.

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## SAVE THE DATES

## 'Legally Blonde Jr.' on the Cohasset stage

Cohasset Youth Theatre (CYT) in its second year of partnering with Cohasset Recreation Department on a spring musical theatre production for teens/young adults, presents "Legally Blonde Jr." with a cast of 32 teens/young adults from around the South Shore.

"Legally Blonde Jr." follows the transformation of Elle Woods as she tackles stereotypes, snobbery and scandal in pursuit of her dreams. When Elle's high school boyfriend, Warner, dumps her and heads to Harvard claiming she's not "serious" enough, Elle takes matters into her own hands, cramming for better test scores and

crafting a showy personal essay to gain admission to law school. Elle ultimately finds that books and looks aren't mutually exclusive, as she begins outsmarting her peers, realizing that law may be her natural calling after all.

Public performances take place Friday, April 28 and Saturday, April 29 at 7:30 p.m. at the Cohasset Town Hall stage.

General Admission tickets are \$15 each and are available at the door one hour prior to each performance. Cash or check are accepted. Additional information is available by contacting: Lisa Pratt lisapratt@gmail.com.

## DEER HILL



Junior Gardeners with Chris Kennedy are: (front row) Darby Carmody, Brin Abate, Maggie Brinzey, and Ella Ottinoski. In back: Haley Cody. (COURTESY PHOTO)

## Spring clean-up with Junior Gardeners

On April 10th Chris Kennedy, of Kennedy's Country Gardens, and members of the Community Garden Club of Cohasset helped the Junior Gardeners get their schoolyard ready for spring.

Chris taught the students about the care and

planting of evergreens, perennials and annuals. Then they moved outside to replace old containers with lovely new ones which they filled with beautiful flowers and pussy willows. Be sure to notice them when you visit the Deer Hill School!



Junior Gardeners filled pots with beautiful flowers and pussy willows. (COURTESY PHOTO)

## ON STAGE

## Summer Theatre Workshop auditions slated

Cohasset Dramatic Club's (CDC) 2017 Summer Theatre Workshop Program will feature two musical productions including "Once Upon a Mattress" for youth ages 8-13, and "The Wedding Singer" for young adults ages 14-21.

"Once Upon a Mattress" registration for youth ages 8-13 who have completed third grade, will be held on Friday, May 19th from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Cohasset Town Hall Theater, 41 Highland

Ave. Program details are available at: cohasset-dramaticclub.org. This program is produced in partnership with the Cohasset Recreation Department. Public performances take place Friday, July 21 at 7 p.m., Saturday, July 22 at 4 p.m., and Sunday, July 23 at 2 p.m.

"The Wedding Singer" auditions for young people ages 14-21 will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday, May 30 and 31 at 7 p.m.

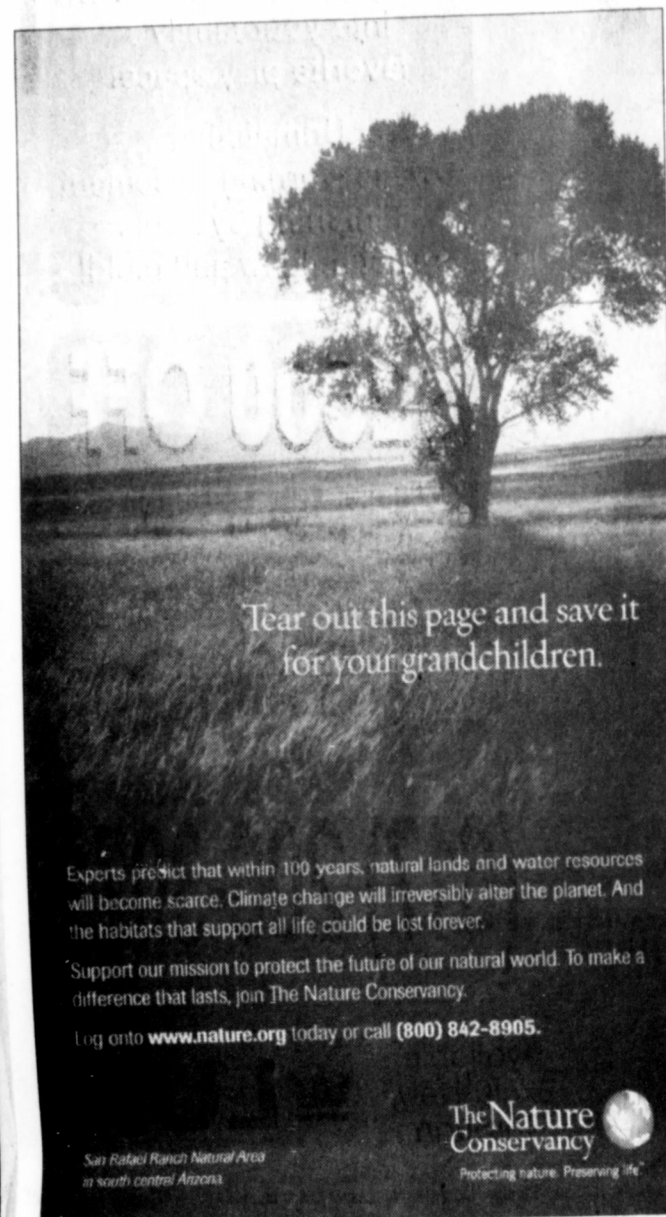
at the Cohasset Town Hall Theater on the common. Registration takes place once auditions and casting are completed.

Audition requirements and details can be found at: cohassetdramaticclub.org. Performances for The Wedding Singer take place on July 27, 28 and 29 at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, July 31 at 2 p.m.

General Admission tickets are \$15 each and are available, by reservation

at 617-922-0280, or at the door one hour prior to each performance. All performances take place at the air-conditioned Cohasset Town Hall Theater. Additional information and links for online registration forms and audition access are available at: cohassetdramaticclub.org, under Youth Summer Theatre Workshops.

For questions: info@cohassetdramaticclub.org



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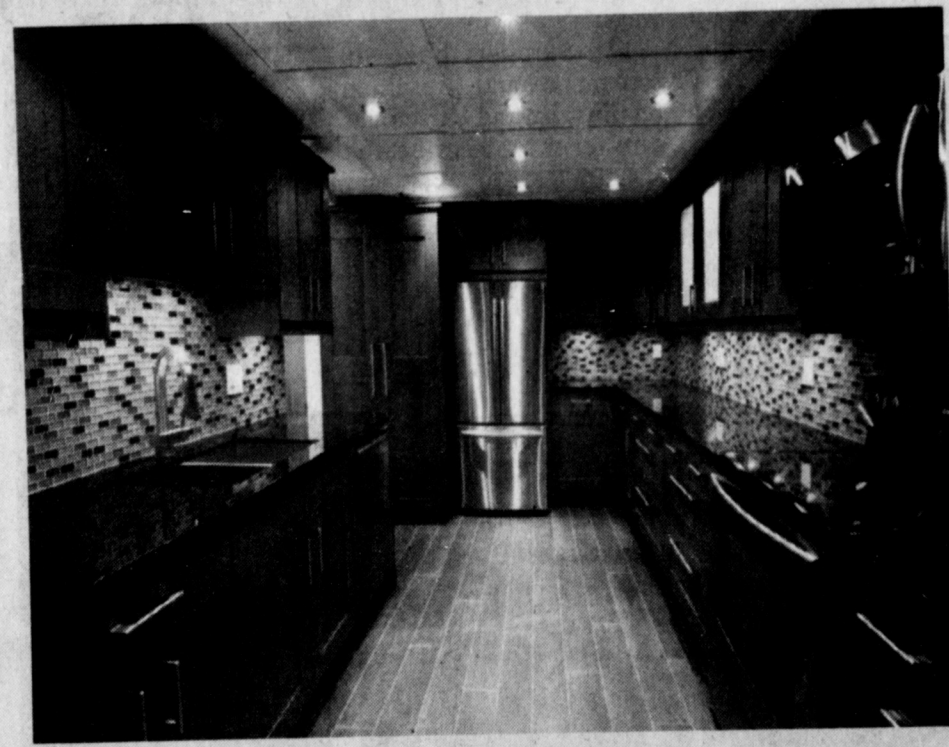
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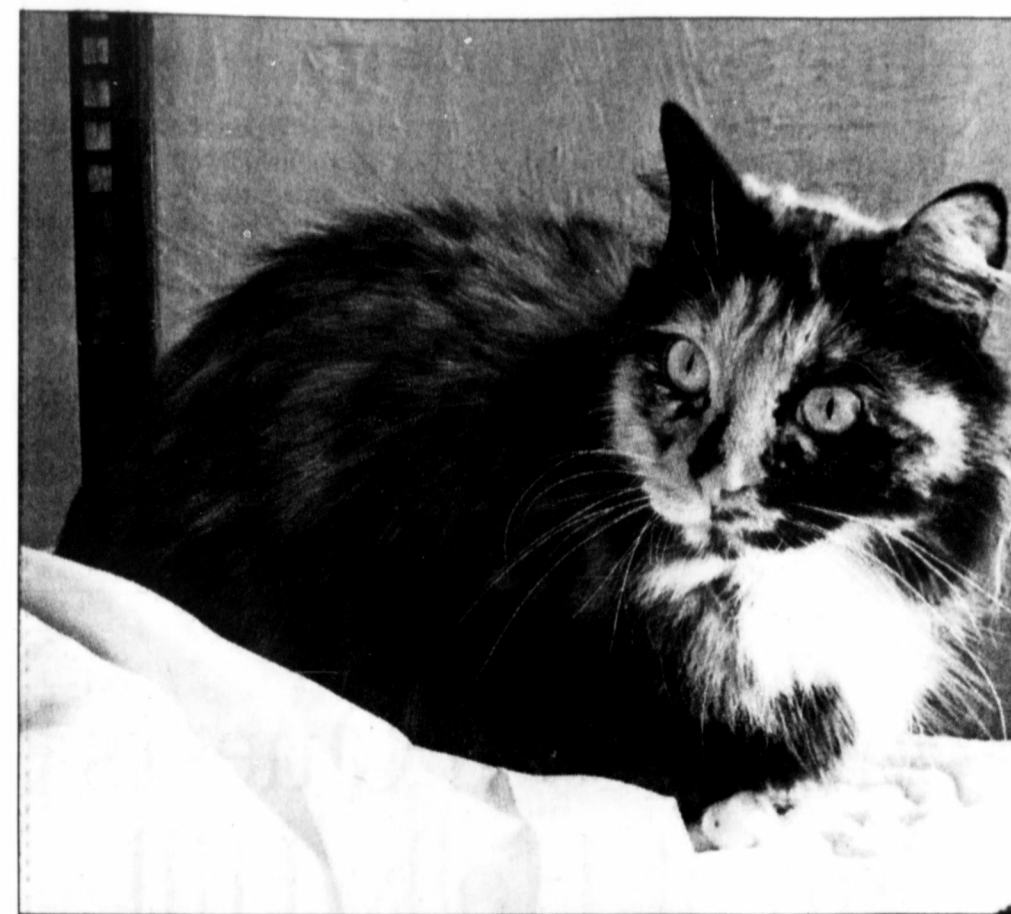
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## GIMME SHELTER



Breezy has a kitten-like nature that will capture your heart. (COURTESY PHOTO)

## This girl just wants to have fun

By Joanne Berman

This week we are featuring a sweet young female named Breezy. She is a beautiful long-haired calico who will win your heart over with her looks and personality! She's a spayed two-and-a-half-year-old female, and came to Hull Seaside Animal Rescue after the owner had to move and could not take her along.

Breezy is extremely playful, loves to roll around and get belly scratches. Her kitten-like nature is so sweet! Although she's only been with us for a short

time, she is quite spirited and full of confidence and trust. Breezy was an only cat in her former home and would do best in her new home without other pets.

You can learn more about Breezy as well as the other cats and kittens we have available for adoption by visiting us online at [www.hsar.org](http://www.hsar.org) or by visiting us at 487 Nantasket Ave., Hull. Open hours are Monday nights, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m., and Saturdays, 2 to 3 p.m. If these times are not convenient for you, special appointments can be made by calling our

adoption coordinator at 781-534-4902.

Stay tuned for our Spring yard sale in early June. All money raised will go directly to the shelter and the day-to-day care of our feline residents. More details to come soon!

Thank you to all of our volunteers who give the cats exceptional care and attention on a daily basis, and keep the shelter clean and beautiful!

—Joanne Berman is a volunteer with Hull Seaside Animal Rescue.

## DON'T MISS THIS

## Free college funding workshop

New England Advisors Group is holding a free College Funding workshop on how to pay for College without going broke at

175 Derby St., Suite 12 in Hingham.

This is must for parents of children preparing to go college. Workshop will

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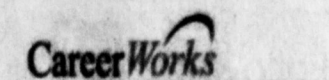
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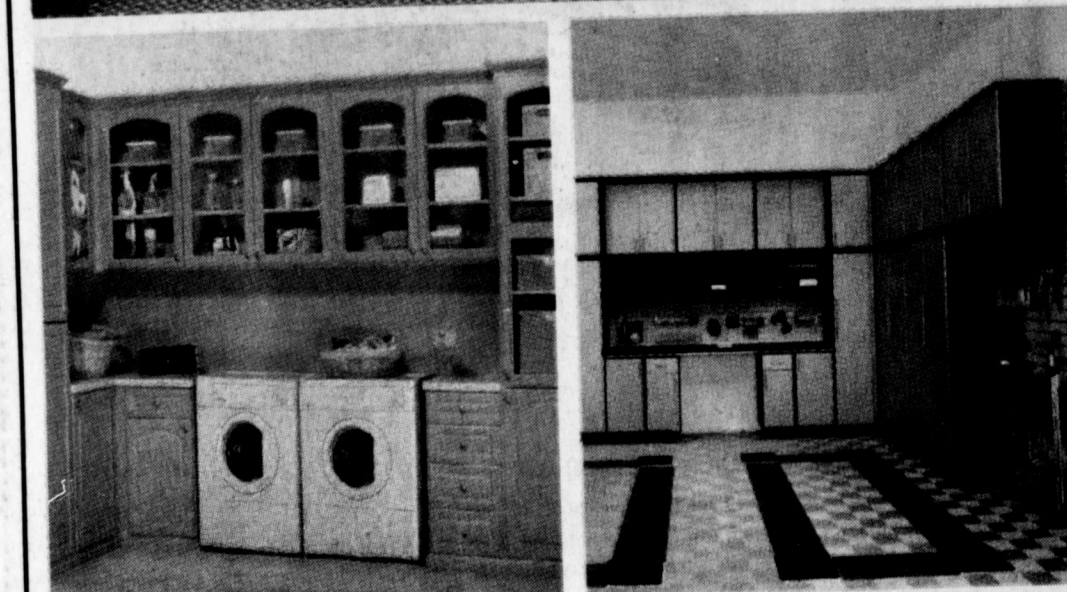
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### SAVE THE DATE

## Coffee with Authors May 4

Buttonwood Books and Toys will host its semi-annual event, "Coffee with the Authors," from 10 to 11:30 a.m. May 4 at the Lightkeepers' House, 15 Lighthouse Lane.

A continental breakfast will be served, and three contemporary authors will discuss their latest work. Featured speakers are Anita Shreve for "The Stars Are Fire," Randy Susan Meyers

for "The Widow of Wall Street" and Stephen P. Kiernan for "The Baker's Secret." Shreve's suspenseful novel is about a young woman tested by a catastrophic event and its devastating aftermath — based on the true story of the largest fire in Maine's history. Meyers' new novel is about the seemingly blind love of a wife for her husband as he conquers Wall Street and

her extraordinary, perhaps foolish, loyalty during his precipitous fall. Kiernan's novel is a tale of courage and the resilience of the human spirit, set in a small Normandy village on the eve of D-Day.

Tickets are \$18 per person, and reservations are required: 781-383-2665; buttonwoodbooksandtoys.com.

### SAVE THE DATES

## South Shore Quests begin at Holly Hill

Holly Hill Farm is located at 236 Jerusalem Road. For information: 781-383-6565; hollyhillfarm.org.

### SOUTH SHORE QUESTS: HIKING HOLLY HILL FARM

April 15 through Nov. 15. Questing is an educational treasure hunt and an outdoor experience that involves following a map and a series of clues to find a hidden box where you sign the guest

book, leave your comments and an imprint of your personal stamp (if you have one). South Shore Quests are a great way to enjoy nature by turning a walk into a treasure hunt. Get your exercise while exploring wildlife and plants, learn a bit of geology and/or history in the bargain! Allow one hour to complete the Holly Hill Farm Quest through the farmyards and trails of surrounding woods. Quest books, \$5, and maps of the farm, \$3, are available for purchase in the Friends of Holly Hill Farm Office. Boots are recommended footwear. A full list of other quest locations can be found on southshorequests.org.

### EARLY PLANT SALE: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. April 22-23

Open to all. Holly Hill Farm's Early Plant Sale will have strong, healthy, organically grown seedlings for sale. Featuring only the crops ready

for the cool weather days of April and early May, such as broccoli, kale, leeks, onions, scallions, Swiss chard, lettuce, cauliflower, snow and sugar snap peas, plus Sweet Alyssum and edible Johnny Jump-Up flowers. Seed packets, soil and amendments, too. Farm Manager Jasmin may have some new and unique varieties ready for purchase during the sale. We accept cash, checks or credit/debit.

### MIGRATING SONGBIRD WALK WITH SALLY AVERY

8-10 a.m. May 6. Join locally renowned birding expert and enthusiast Sally Avery for "Spring Birding" in the woods and trails at Holly Hill Farm. Avery has led numerous tours for Mass Audubon, as well as for the Friends of Holly Hill Farm. She has a local and statewide following who delight in her expertise and program presentation. Bring good walking shoes and keen ears and eyes as we delight in this lovely rite of spring. Free to all, but registration is encouraged. Rain or shine, unless heavy rainfall.

### ASPARAGUS FARM TO TABLE DINNER: 6-10 p.m.

May 20. Join us for our annual Asparagus Dinner with Chef Maryann Sapotito from Hoi! Marshfield, who will take advantage of the early season farm offerings to prepare a five-course prix fixe menu. \$125 per person for Friends of Holly Hill Farm members, \$150 per person for nonmembers. Wine and beer pairings are included. Evening includes a tour of the asparagus field to understand how this perennial crop is organically grown and harvested. Proceeds will support educational programs at the Farm and at local schools. Kindly email or call to reserve seating. You may purchase tickets from our website, hollyhillfarm.org.

### FALL FARM TO FOOD PANTRY COMMUNITY SERVICE FOR TEENS

The Farm to Food Pantry Program is for teenagers ages 13-18. Please contact us if you wish to complete your community service requirements at Holly Hill Farm while learning valuable growing and harvesting skills to last a lifetime. We will deliver produce to local food pantries come harvest time. Contact Education Director Jon Belber at 781-383-6565 or jbelberhollyhill@hotmail.com.

### SCHOOL FIELD TRIPS

Consider booking your grade level field trips to Holly Hill Farm. Weather permitting, we will book trips beginning in late March. We have guided tours and hands-on experiences for preschool aged children through high school. Contact Jon Belber, education director, at 781-383-6565 or jbelberhollyhill@hotmail.com.

### SCHOOL PARTNERSHIPS

Recently, the farm teachers at Holly Hill Farm were at Hingham High School pouring over their 13 compost bins. Many bins needed turning and mixing. As part of their celebration and active learning for green week, the students helped sift finished compost to add to their garden beds in the courtyard, where they also sowed seeds. Soon, the teachers will investigate some vermicompost bins from the Hingham second-grade classrooms, in hopes of also finding good vermicompost to help enrich their outdoor gardens and then sow seeds. Spring is upon us.

### MUSIC

## Fine Arts Choral to host concert

The Fine Arts Choral will complete its season with a performance featuring a selection of music from Ireland and Scotland at 2 p.m. May 7 at Old South Union Church, 25 Columbian St., Weymouth. The chorus will be directed by Maestro Richard Travers and will feature special guests piper Bob Cameron, the O'Shea Chaplin Irish Dancers and the Silver Spears Express. Concert admission is \$20 or \$15 for seniors and students.

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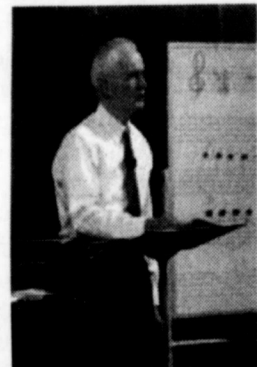
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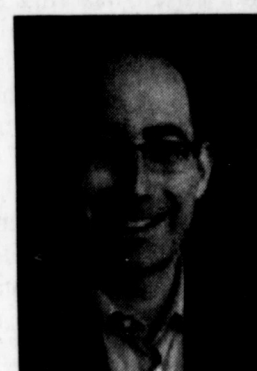
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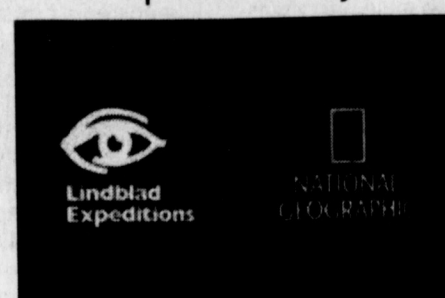
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## Balancing the scales: Music and school

By Eve Montague

### If You Go

■ **Balancing Your Scales: Your Music and School**  
■ With counselor Liz Bailey: Saturday, April 29, from 2 to 3:30 p.m. at South Shore Conservatory, One Conservatory Drive, Hingham.  
■ Free; however, attendees should RSVP to Eve Montague, Director, Creative Arts Therapies, at e.montague@sscmusic.org or 781-934-2731, x20 to reserve a spot.



Liz Bailey of Hingham helps high school music students navigate the stressful process of applying to music schools on April 29. [COURTESY PHOTO]

music students manage their stress, find balance, and problem-solve. Her wealth of experience also includes helping students navigate the stressors regarding getting into music schools, and helping parents understand more fully all the process requires of their children.

Many of SSC's dedicated faculty members have expressed concern about their students, and have asked for support from them and their families. Our CAT department supports the concept that wellness is a lifelong process of becoming aware and making choices toward a more balanced and fulfilling life.

Given the importance of wellness to SSC, how fortunate are we to find that music counselor Liz Bailey resides in our own backyard? Liz is a musician, former school with Berklee School of Music, and a licensed mental health counselor, with her own private practice right here in Hingham. She has the experience to help

with Liz about "making it" in music school and balancing performance with life. Start, or continue your wellness journey by looking at strategies to keep stress and anxiety manageable as you navigate the world of music schools.

Balancing Your Scales: Your Music and School (and maybe you're preparing for college!) with counselor Liz Bailey is Saturday, April 29, from 2 to 3:30 p.m. at South Shore Conservatory, One Conservatory Drive, Hingham. There is no cost for this event; however, we ask attendees to RSVP to Eve Montague, Director, Creative Arts Therapies, at e.montague@sscmusic.org or 781-934-2731, x20 to reserve your spot.

To learn more about SSC's Creative Arts Therapies department, visit: sscmusic.org/creative\_arts\_therapies.html.

—Eve Montague, MT-BC, is South Shore Conservatory's Director of Creative Arts Therapies.

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To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Brian J. Garrigan of Milford MA a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

Brian J. Garrigan of Milford MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representative appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.

AD#13557504  
Cohasset Mariner 4/21/17

ZBA/88B BEECH ST.  
LEGAL NOTICE  
TOWN OF COHASSET  
ZONING BOARD OF  
APPEALS

A public hearing will be held at the Town Hall on Wednesday, May 3, 2017 at 7:45PM to hear and act upon an application for a SPECIAL PERMIT and/or VARIANCE pursuant to Section 88.7, 2, 9.11 and 9.7.6 or 5.3.1 and to Section 12.5 and 5.3 and any further relief as the Board deems appropriate. The applicant, Attorney Jeffrey A. Delisi, on behalf of his clients, Donald P. and Elyse M. Ryan of the Ryan 88B Beach Street Trust, u/d/t dated January 5, 2017, seeks to raze and reconstruct existing dwelling and detached accessory structure at 88B Beech Street. According to the application on file in the Town Clerk's Office, File #17.02.21. This hearing is the result of a postponement of March 14, 2017.

Please note that the advertised times may not match the times on the agenda.

AD#13552600  
Cohasset Mariner 4/14, 4/21/17



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### NORTH COHASSET

## Aquarion seeking 14 percent rate increase

Aquarion Water Company issued the following press release April 17:

Aquarion Water Company of Massachusetts has filed a request with the Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities to adjust rates its customers pay for water service. Aquarion's last request for a water rate increase was six years ago in 2011.

For the average residential customers in Hingham, Hull, and North Cohasset, Aquarion's request would result in an increase of about 14.2 percent or \$9.01 per month.

Since Aquarion acquired the water system serving Hingham, Hull, and North Cohasset from another private company in 2002, Aquarion has had three rate decreases (at the company's request) and two rate increases from the DPU.

"Since our last rate adjustment, Aquarion has significantly increased investment in the water infrastructure in Hingham, Hull, and North Cohasset. We have invested nearly \$12 million in our infrastructure

in these towns, including improvements to our water treatment plant, upgrades to our sources of water supply, and replacement of water mains," said Aquarion Water Vice President of Operations John Walsh.

The investments that Aquarion made into the infrastructure helped the company earn Department of Environmental Protection water quality awards in 2013, 2014 and 2016 for the system serving Hingham, Hull, and North Cohasset. Very few similarly sized water systems in the state receive this award each year.

Last year, Aquarion was ranked first among privately-owned utilities and fifth among 84 of the U.S.'s largest private and public water utilities by JD Power, which looked at overall customer satisfaction using six factors including water delivery, price, billing and payment, conservation, communications and customer service.

Aquarion's aggressive leak detection initiative in Hingham, Hull, and North Cohasset has resulted in the repair of more than 80

leaks, which contributed to a reduction in non-revenue water (i.e. the difference between the amount of water a utility produces and the amount of water it can account for in sales through customer meters) from 24.8 percent in 2014 to 17.8 percent in 2016. Through lost water control efforts and conservation measures, the amount of water Aquarion withdraws from the environment to serve its customers in these three towns has fallen to about 90 percent of the amount allowed by the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection. This means there is more available water to meet the ongoing and expected growth in these communities.

"By continually investing in our water system, we improve the reliability of our treatment facility, reduce the frequency of service interruptions, reduce water main leakage, ensure our ability to meet growing water demands and enhance fire protection," Walsh said.

Notably, in its rate filing, Aquarion will not seek to recoup the cost it has had to spend on legal fees to defend against the on-going municipal takeover attempt in Hingham. Although the defendant in this case, Aquarion has decided customers will not be asked to pay these legal costs.

If approved, the requested rate increase would translate into a water rate increase of approximately 1.9 percent per year for Hingham, Hull, and North Cohasset resident since the company acquired the water system in 2002. This is significantly lower than the 4.9 percent per year growth rate that the average water utility in Massachusetts has experienced from

2000 through 2014 (source: Tighe & Bond 2014 Massachusetts Water Rate Survey).

"The communities we serve rely on us to provide reliable, quality water service to support their local economies and to provide a high quality of life for residents," said Charles V. Flotte, President and CEO of Aquarion Water Company. "The investments we make in our systems help ensure that we are able to fulfill that commitment to the health and prosperity of our customers and communities."

Aquarion's water system investments and expenses are reviewed and approved by the DPU. The DPU will conduct an extensive review of Aquarion's rate application. Public hearings and opportunities for public comment are part of the process and will be scheduled in the community under the direction of the DPU.

For more information about Aquarion Water Company, visit [www.aquarionwater.com](http://www.aquarionwater.com).



## Helping others



Above: Mary Catherine Crumley, Kim Donohue, and Muffy Antico load the back of a car with meals prepared for about 150 people at Fr. Bill's and Mainspring on Saturday, Apr. 8. Left: Cohasset's Muffy Antico, Kim Donohue, Christine Laura, Mary Catherine Crumley, and Sam Crumley of St. Anthony's hold a few of the meals that were prepared by 50 volunteers for about 150 people at Fr. Bill's and Mainspring on Saturday, Apr. 8. The parish-wide community service event was originally organized around Lent and the group hopes to hold the event every quarter. [WICKED LOCAL STAFF PHOTOS/ROBIN CHAN]

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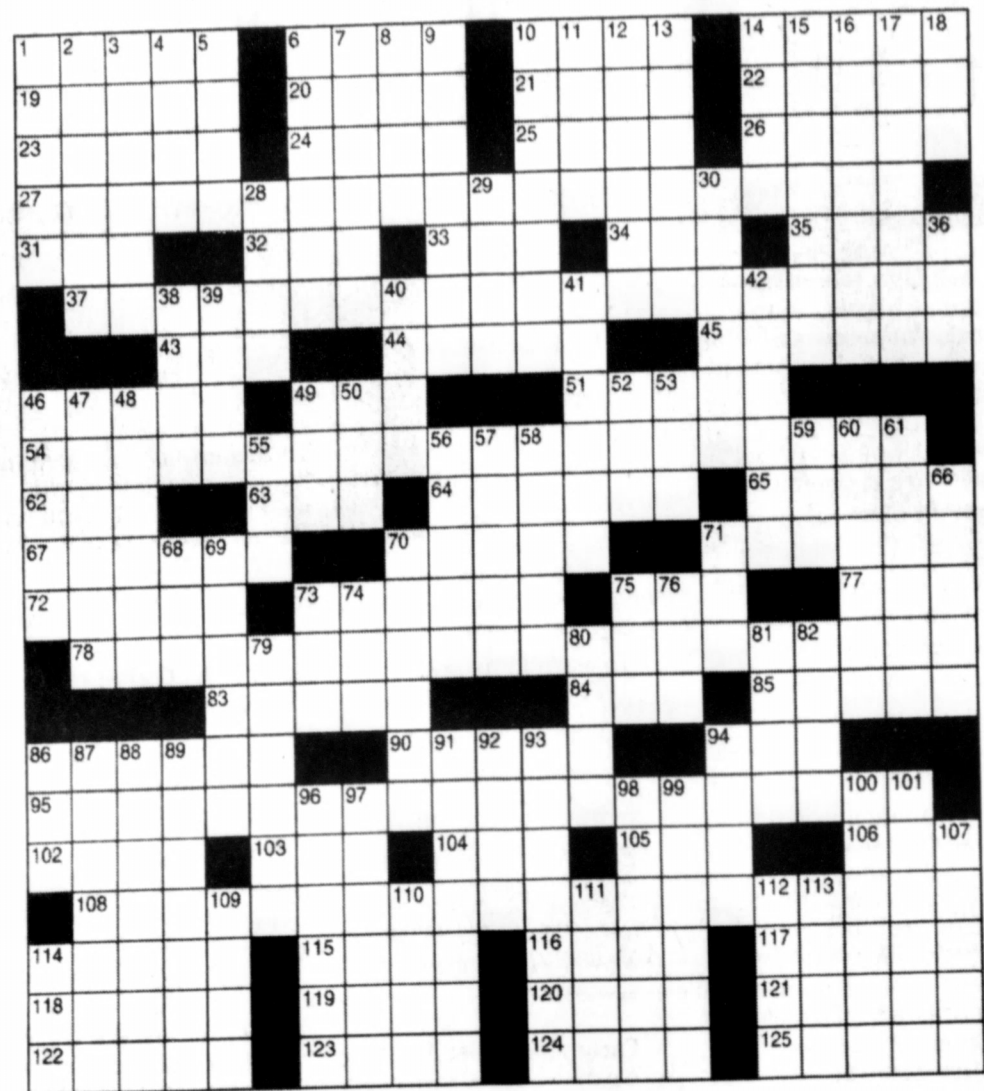


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# PUZZLES

## Crossword • TEN-CHARACTER MIX



**ACROSS**

1 See 19-Across  
6 Bird refuge  
10 Gift, to Scots  
19 Tree thicket  
27 With 1-Across, spring prank  
31 Difficult duty  
37 Not inclined  
38 Papal topper  
40 Long hike  
46 Crooner  
54 Crosby  
56 Tomb  
62 Artifact, e.g.  
63 Failure to keep developing a villain's character?  
64 Summer zodiac sign  
65 On an ad  
66 "Speechen — Deutsch?"  
67 Decade count  
68 "I — care"  
69 Person forgoing duel weapons for a big film studio?  
70 Trailer-park parkers, for short

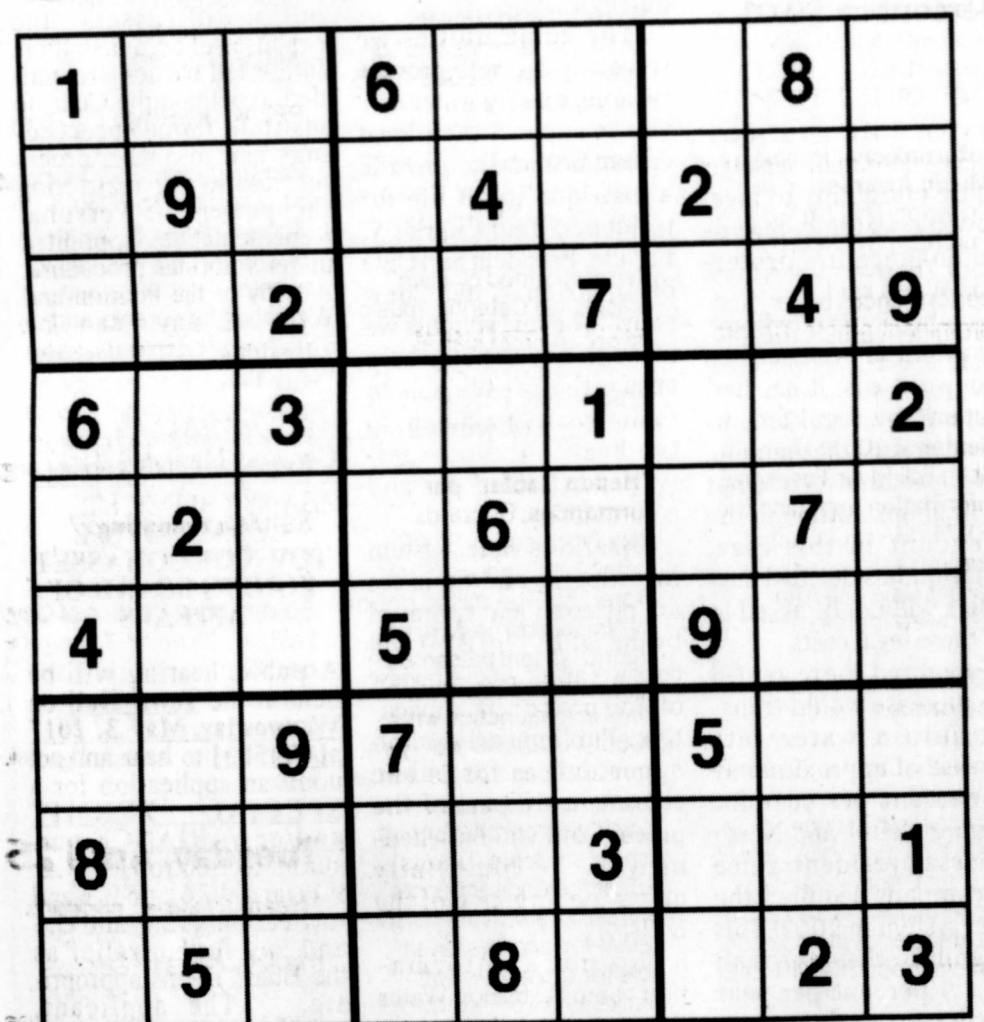
44 "— deal?" ("Are we on?")  
45 Nun's string of beads  
46 Lederer who was better known as Ann Landers  
49 Poke (out)  
51 Nomadic sort  
54 Head  
55 Demons licensed to market products?  
62 Article south of the border  
63 It increases on a birthday  
64 Single-file  
65 Somewhat, informally  
67 Alternative to a Cert or a Tic Tac  
70 Hamburger unit  
71 More gutsy?  
72 — is human  
73 Estevez of the screen  
75 Letter #26  
77 Gable down  
78 Newly coined scene  
79 Synonyms for 122 Fight off depression?  
83 — buddy (close friend)  
84 Dad's mate

85 Anxious  
86 Volcanic peak in N. Oregon  
90 Limerick's rhyme pattern  
94 Cedar's kin  
95 Providing refuge for people who use bleach?  
102 Granola bit  
103 Adore, cutely  
104 Hosp. test  
105 Exist  
106 Go quickly  
108 Babies seen moving wavelly in prenatal scans?  
114 Shaw of jazz  
115 Rear as legs  
116 Film director  
117 Puls freight  
118 Very best performance  
119 Met melody  
120 A part of  
121 Action  
122 Fight off depression?  
123 Nastassja Kinski film (close friend)  
124 Camp sight  
125 Cheeky

**DOWN**

1 Lethal  
2 Shared views  
3 Speaking pro  
4 Old Italian coin  
5 Mill refuse  
6 Later  
7 Tenor  
8 Caruso  
8 Files a case against  
9 Ex-combat  
9 Gives a  
95 Possessed double cluck of reproach  
10 Diagnostic procedure  
11 El —  
12 Wooded with a melody  
13 Contract ink, e.g.  
14 Rudely  
15 New York tribe  
16 Lurmoor  
17 Device used in Twister  
18 End-of-list abbr.  
28 Units of resistance  
29 "Oh yes, Juan!"  
30 Russia's Gromyko  
31 — follows  
32 — go  
33 — go  
34 — go  
35 — go  
36 — go  
37 — go  
38 — go  
39 With, to Yves  
40 Act of liturgy  
41 Battle shout  
42 To a greater extent  
46 Key above D  
47 Literary intro  
48 Pale shade  
49 Spiritually  
50 Consume  
52 "Looky here!"  
53 Ex-combat  
54 Gls' go.  
55 Watch  
56 Faces  
57 "Nay" voters  
58 Betray by blabbing  
59 And not  
60 Most said  
61 Cooks, as some claims  
66 Dilettantish  
68 Gold, to  
69 "1950 Asimov classic  
70 "Simple Simon met a 101 Vampy  
71 Prefix with caching  
73 Frozen  
74 Wilhelm  
75 "Ah, so sad!"  
76 "Hans  
77 Swiss river  
79 First Ford car  
80 Online "zine  
81 Increase  
82 Apropos of  
86 Eds' piles  
87 See 94-Down  
88 Lift in the back of a shoe  
89 Quant  
91 Task lists  
92 Ran in the wash  
93 Baseballer  
94 Randy Johnson's nickname, with "the"  
94 With 87-Down, get a strong desire  
96 Charge to attack  
97 Cote d'—  
98 Strong-force particle  
99 AWOL pupil  
100 Greek island  
101 Vampy  
102 Ela offering  
109 Angling need  
110 Elats —  
111 Nil  
112 "Ah, so sad!"  
113 "Hans  
114 Swiss river

## Sudoku



Level: Challenging

### Here's How It Works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

## HOROSCOPE

## Salome's Stars

**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) A sudden change of plans could lead to a misunderstanding with a friend or family member. Be ready to offer a full explanation of your decision. A past favor is returned.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) Expect pressure from those who want you to change your position on a matter of importance. However, the determined Bovine will be able to withstand the bullying and win out.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) It's time to stop dwelling on past disappointments and move on to other possibilities. By week's end, you'll be meeting new people and making new plans for the future.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) A long-simmering situation between co-workers threatens to heat up and could create problems with your work schedule. Best advice: Consult a supervisor on how to proceed.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) You might have just learned that someone close

to you is keeping a secret. And, of course, the Cat's curiosity has gone into overdrive. But be patient. All is revealed soon enough.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) Don't give up. The recognition of the good work you recently did will come through. Meanwhile, an opportunity opens up that can lead to a lot of traveling later on.

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) A financial crunch eases, but it's still a good idea to keep a tight rein on what you spend for nonessentials. Education becomes a major focus as the week winds down.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 22) Recent encounters with stressful situations could require some restorative measures to get your energy levels back up. Talk to your doctor about a diet and exercise program.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) New connections follow changes on the job or in your personal life. But keep your feelings reined in until

these relationships have a chance to develop.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) Pay more attention to your aches and pains, but avoid self-diagnoses. Seek professional advice to make sure these problems won't lead to something more serious.

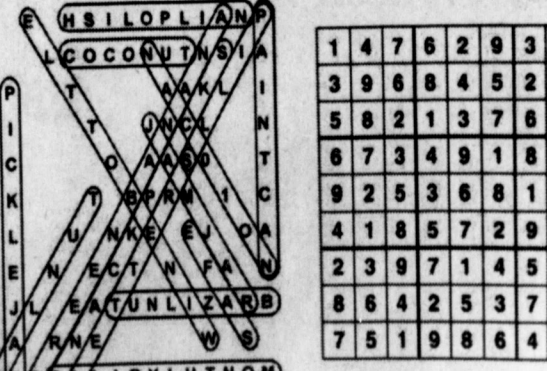
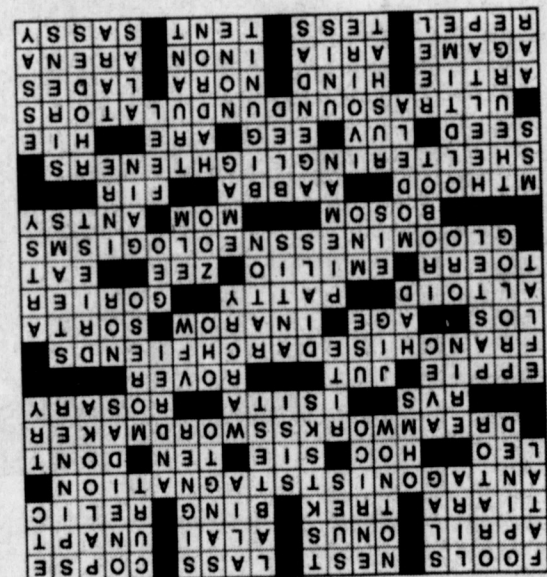
**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) You love doing research and learning new things, so you'll be happy to know that education becomes a big part of your life at this time, and for some time to come.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) Your Piscean penchant for doing things logically could be challenged by an equally strong emotional reaction to a new situation. Best advice: Keep the two factors in balance.

**BORN THIS WEEK:** You love music and nature. You would be an excellent environmentalist, as well as a fine singer or musician.

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## SOLUTIONS



## Magic Maze • HARD TO OPEN

C Q E O H S I L O P L I A N P  
M K I L (C O C O N U T) N S I A  
F P D B T Z X W U A A K L S I  
Q I O N L T J H J N C L A M N  
F C D C A Y O W A A S O V T T  
S K Q P N T L B P R M K I I C  
H L F E U C N K E B E J Z O A  
Y E W N V E C T U N S F A R N  
Q J L P E A T U N L I Z A R B  
N A M R N E L J I H F W E S D  
W R G S L L I B Y L H T N O M

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally

Brazil nut	Letters	Paint can	Snack packs
Coconut	Monthly bills	Pickle jar	Walnut
Green banana	Nail polish	Pills	Wine bottle
Jam jar	No. 10 can	Safe	

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# CALENDAR

## HOW TO SUBMIT

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## 'Don't Drink the Water' performances planned at North River Theater

WHEN: April 22-May 6

WHAT: Woody Allen play performances at North River Theater in Norwell

INFO: "Don't Drink the Water" performances at North River Theater, 513 River St., Norwell. Comedy play written by Woody Allen. \$20. Cabaret-style seating; cash bar. Shows at 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, and at 2 p.m. Sunday. For information: 781-826-4878, [northrivertheater.org](mailto:northrivertheater.org).

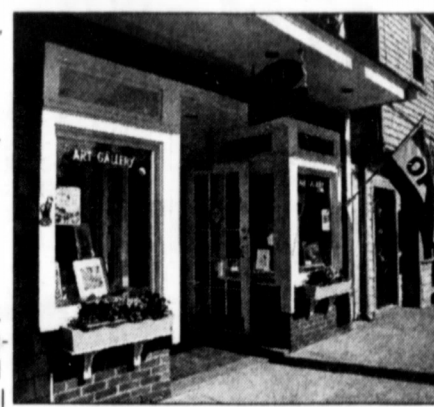


## Juried art show reception at Front Street Art Gallery

WHEN: 6:30-9 p.m., Friday, April 21

WHAT: Juried art show reception at Front Street Art Gallery in Scituate

INFO: Juried art show reception at Front Street Art Gallery, 124 Front St., Scituate Harbor. Scituate Arts Association's annual juried show is on view April 12-30. Awards and a reception will take place April 21. For information: 781-545-7613, [jcornach@aol.com](mailto:jcornach@aol.com), [www.scituateart.com](http://www.scituateart.com).



## South Shore Folk Music Club at Beal House

WHEN: 8 p.m., Friday, April 21

WHAT: South Shore Folk Music Club at Beal House in Kingston

INFO: South Shore Folk Music Club at the Beal House, 222 Main St., Kingston. Coffeehouse and open mic featuring Cosy Sheridan, with Diane Battistello to open. Doors open 7:30 p.m. Sign up at the door for an 8-minute slot of open mic. Tickets \$7 per member, \$8 per non-member, \$4 per child. For information: [www.ssfmc.org](http://www.ssfmc.org).



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Park, offering step-by-step instructions for painting this historical ballpark. For information: 781-293-5461, [gcornau@newenglandville.org](mailto:gcornau@newenglandville.org).

"The Lion King Jr." performances: Company Theatre, 30 Accord Park Drive, Norwell. Tickets \$15. Shows are 7:30 p.m. April 21 and 28; 4 and 7 p.m. April 22 and 29; 3 p.m. April 23 and 30. For information: 781-871-2787, [www.companytheatre.com](http://www.companytheatre.com).

"Hedda Gabler" performances: Buzzards Play Productions, 3065 Cranberry Highway, East Wareham. The classic drama by Norwegian playwright Henrik Ibsen, presented by Buzzards Play Productions in conjunction with 3065Live. Shows are 8 p.m. April 21-22 and 28-29 and at 2 p.m. April 23 and 30. The play is appropriate for high school students. Tickets \$15 at the door. Students and seniors with proper ID \$10. Wine and beer available for those 21+. Soft drinks sold. For information: 508-591-3065, [www.buzzardsplayproductions.com](http://www.buzzardsplayproductions.com).

April Vacation Rock Camp: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., April 18-21. Ellison Center, 64 Saint George St., Duxbury. South Shore Conservatory invites middle and high school singers, guitarists, bassists, keyboardists, drummers and songwriters to jam with friends and learn music with workshops, ensembles, master classes and daily performances. Friends and family are invited to a final performance at the end of the week. For information: 781-934-2731, ext. 11, [www.sscmusic.org](http://www.sscmusic.org).

MamaSteph: 11:30 a.m., Norwell Public Library, 64 South St., Norwell. For information: 781-659-2015, [norwellpubliclibrary.org](http://norwellpubliclibrary.org).

Abstract Paint Afternoon: 3 p.m., Norwell Public Library, 64 South St., Norwell. Vacation fun for teens. For information: 781-659-2015, [norwellpubliclibrary.org](http://norwellpubliclibrary.org).

Divine Mercy Novena: 3 p.m. April 17-21. Chapel of St. Francis Xavier, 236 Pleasant St., South Weymouth. The Regional 2017 Divine Mercy Novena will be prayed Monday-Friday, April 17-21. All are welcome. For information: 781-337-6010.

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Raising hogs: 10 a.m. to noon, Marshfield Fairgrounds, 140 Main St., Marshfield. Peter Burrows of Brown Boar Farm will teach the basics for raising healthy pigs to market weight and more. He breeds and raises his own cross-breeds of hogs with respect for the animals on a farm he started 10 years ago in Vermont with his family. For information: 781-635-0889, <http://marshfieldfair.org/>.

Teen Paint Night: 6:30-8 p.m., Sollar Wellness Center, 664 School St., Pembroke. Local artist Meg Bean will guide you through a canvas painting of Fenway

workshops 2017.htm. Early plant sale: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., April 22-23, Holly Hill Farm, 236 Jerusalem Road, Cohasset. Officially grown seedlings for sale such as broccoli, kale, leeks, onions, scallions, Swiss chard, lettuce, cauliflower, snow and sugar snap peas plus Sweet Alyssum and edible Johnny Jump-Up flowers. Seed packets, soil and amendments too. For information: 781-383-6565, [hollyhillfarm.org](http://hollyhillfarm.org).

Slice of Summer Camp: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., North River Wildlife Sanctuary, 2000 Main St., Marshfield. Adventure hikes, games, make and grill pizza at lunch, learn about the science of flight by building and flying kites. Veteran camp families are encouraged to attend and share your experiences with newcomers. \$35/\$25 member family. Preregistration required. For information: 781-837-9400, [www.massaudubon.org/southshore](http://www.massaudubon.org/southshore).

Organic gardening: 10:30 a.m., Duxbury Free Library, 77 Alden St., Duxbury. Savannah Clinton from Holly Hill Farm in Cohasset will lead a hands-on workshop. Children in kindergarten and above are welcome to attend with their families. For information: 781-934-2721, [www.duxburyfreelibrary.org](http://www.duxburyfreelibrary.org).

Hybrid/electric car show: noon to 5 p.m., Hingham Public Library, 66 Leavitt St., Hingham. The New England Electric Auto Association, 350MASS South Shore, Sustainable South Shore, and Solar Hingham will host a hybrid/electric car show and ride and drive event. Michael Mullaley will give this year's keynote address, "The Future is Electric: Powering Hingham's Next Generation Transportation," in the library at noon. Car exhibit in the parking lot will be from 12:30 to 5 p.m. Free event, open to the public. For information contact Jesse Rudavsky: 617-483-0994.

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Meet the artists: 5-8 p.m., Palette Fine Art Gallery, 4 Merchants Road, Sandwich. Scituate resident and gallery member Kathleen Dunn will be exhibiting paintings at the gallery. Refreshments served. For information: 774-228-3589, [www.palettefineart.com](http://www.palettefineart.com).

Kickin' Up Country: 6 p.m., Weymouth. For information: 781-340-1300, [thenextpage-cafe.com](http://thenextpage-cafe.com).

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3. Follow the instructions to fill out the event form, and click "Submit Event." That's it!

To see the full list of events, just click on "More Events" on the website. The deadline to submit is 5 p.m. Wednesday the week prior to the print publication.

## Sunday, April 23

South Shore Explorations: 9 a.m. to noon, North River Wildlife Sanctuary, 2000 Main St., Marshfield. Teacher/naturalist Doug Lowry and participants will head out in vans together to explore vernal pools. Appropriate for all ages. Plan on some short walks and take a picnic lunch. Waterproof

## Free concert: 3-4 p.m.

Thayer Public Library, 798 Washington St., Braintree. Reception for the Duxbury Camera Club's members show. Exposed 2017, on view April 12 to June 8. This year's show hosted in collaboration with The Duxbury Art Association. Hours are 10-5 Mondays to Fridays and 10-2 Saturdays. For information: [www.duxbury-cameraclub.org](http://www.duxbury-cameraclub.org).

## Photography show reception: 6-8 p.m.

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## Building Bridges Worldwide fundraiser: 2:30-5 p.m.

Beal House, 222 Main St., Kingston. Free to the public. Featuring an informational overview of the organization and how to volunteer, case studies of past projects, a silent auction and refreshments. For more information, contact Brian Albert at [balbert2000@gmail.com](mailto:balbert2000@gmail.com).

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## SSHAGLY meeting: 7 p.m.

First Parish Church, 842 Tremont St., Duxbury. The South Shore Chapter of Greater Boston PFLAG will hold its monthly support group meeting for parents and friends of LGBTQ (lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer/questioning) people. For information: [duxburyflag@gmail.com](mailto:duxburyflag@gmail.com), [www.gbpflag.org](http://www.gbpflag.org).

## "Don't Drink the Water" performances: April 22-May 6

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## "Oklahoma!" performances: Sanborn Auditorium, Hingham Town Hall, 210 Central St., Hingham

Presented by Hingham Civic Music Theatre. Shows at 7:30 p.m. April 22 and 29, and at 2 p.m. April 23 and 30. The play is appropriate for high school students. Tickets \$15 at the door. Students and seniors with proper ID \$10. Wine and beer available for those 21+. Soft drinks sold. For information: 508-591-3065, [www.buzzardsplayproductions.com](http://www.buzzardsplayproductions.com).

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## Syd Slacks: 8 p.m.

Next Page Cafe, 550 Broad St., Weymouth. For information: 781-340-1300, [thenextpage-cafe.com](http://thenextpage-cafe.com).